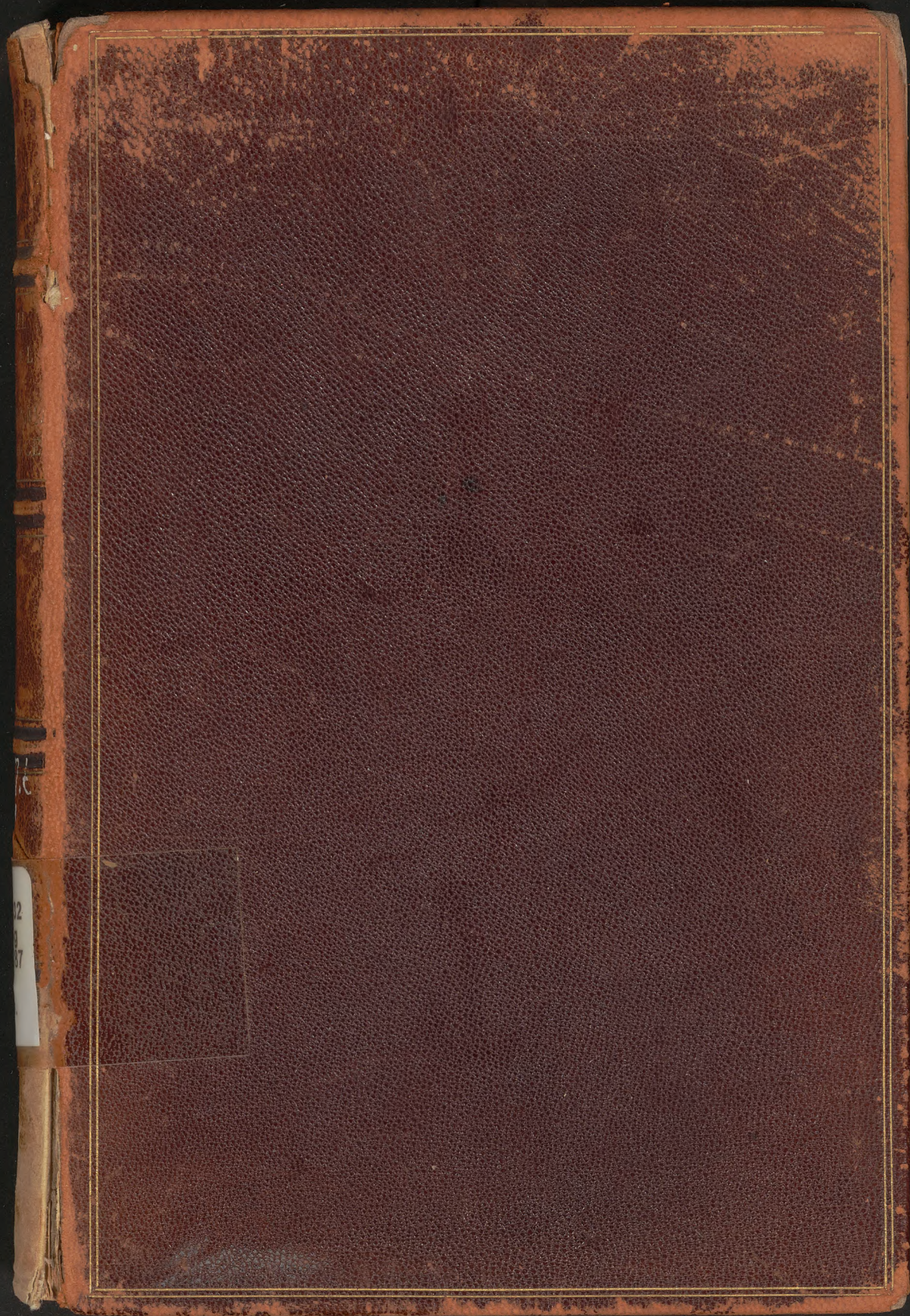
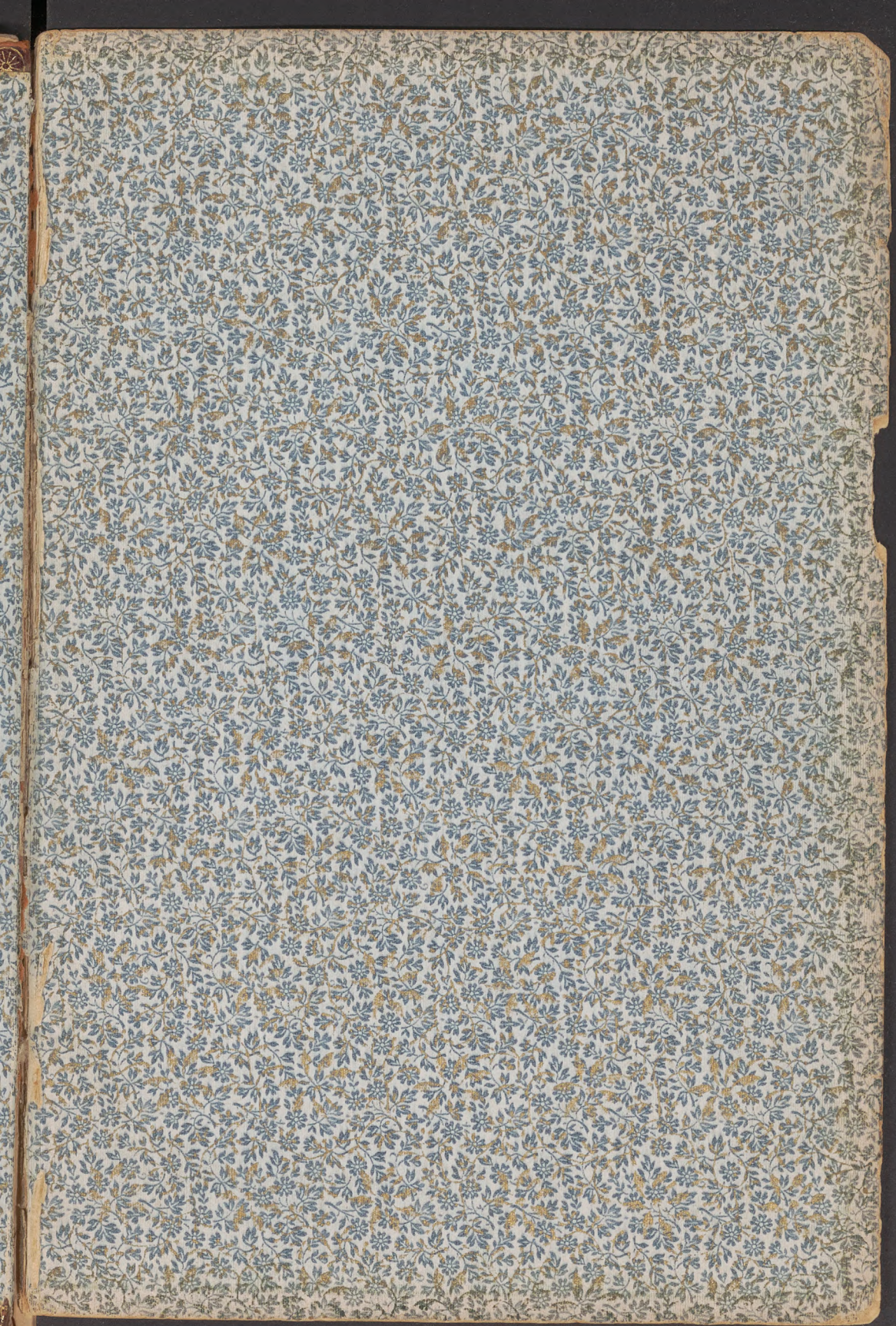
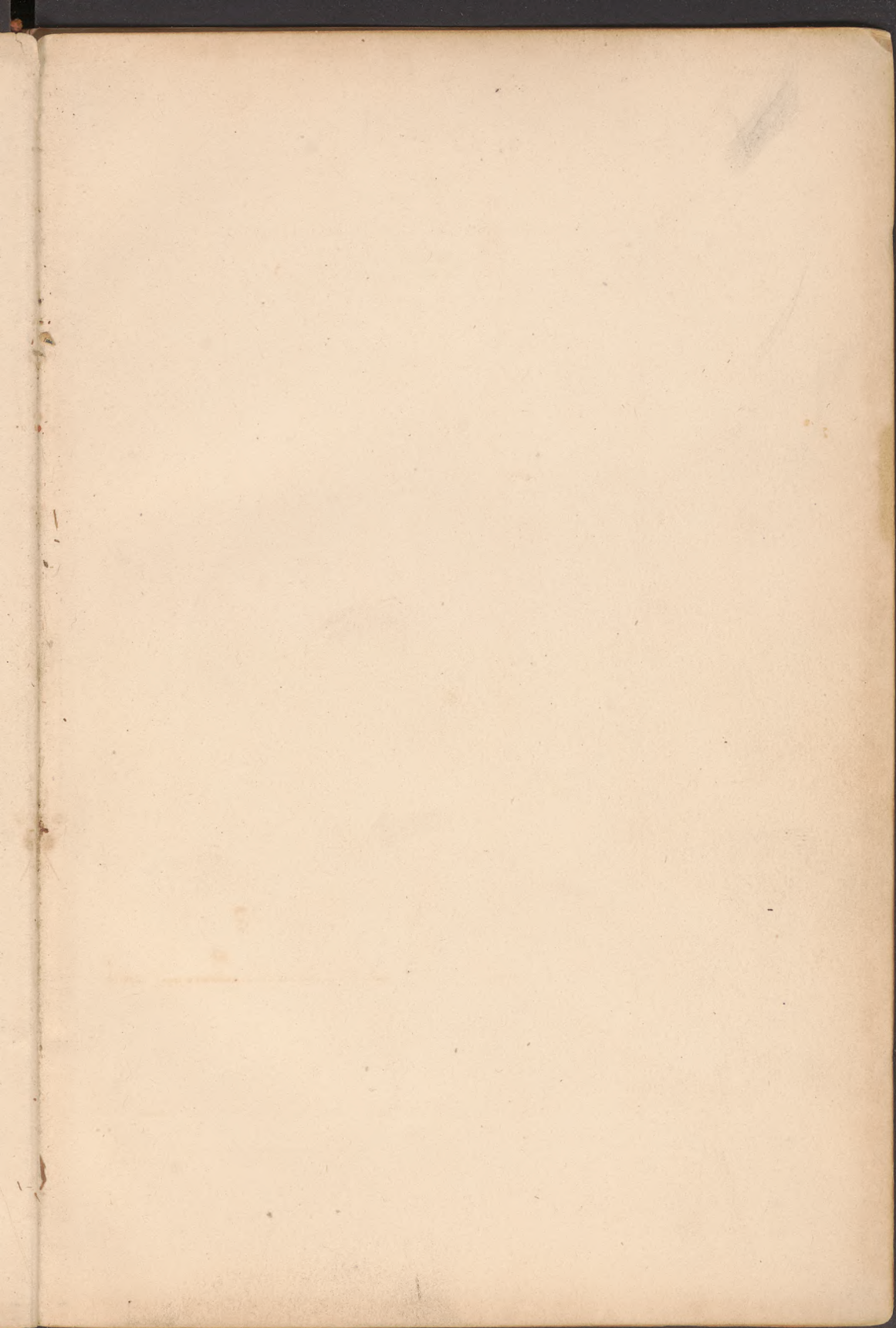
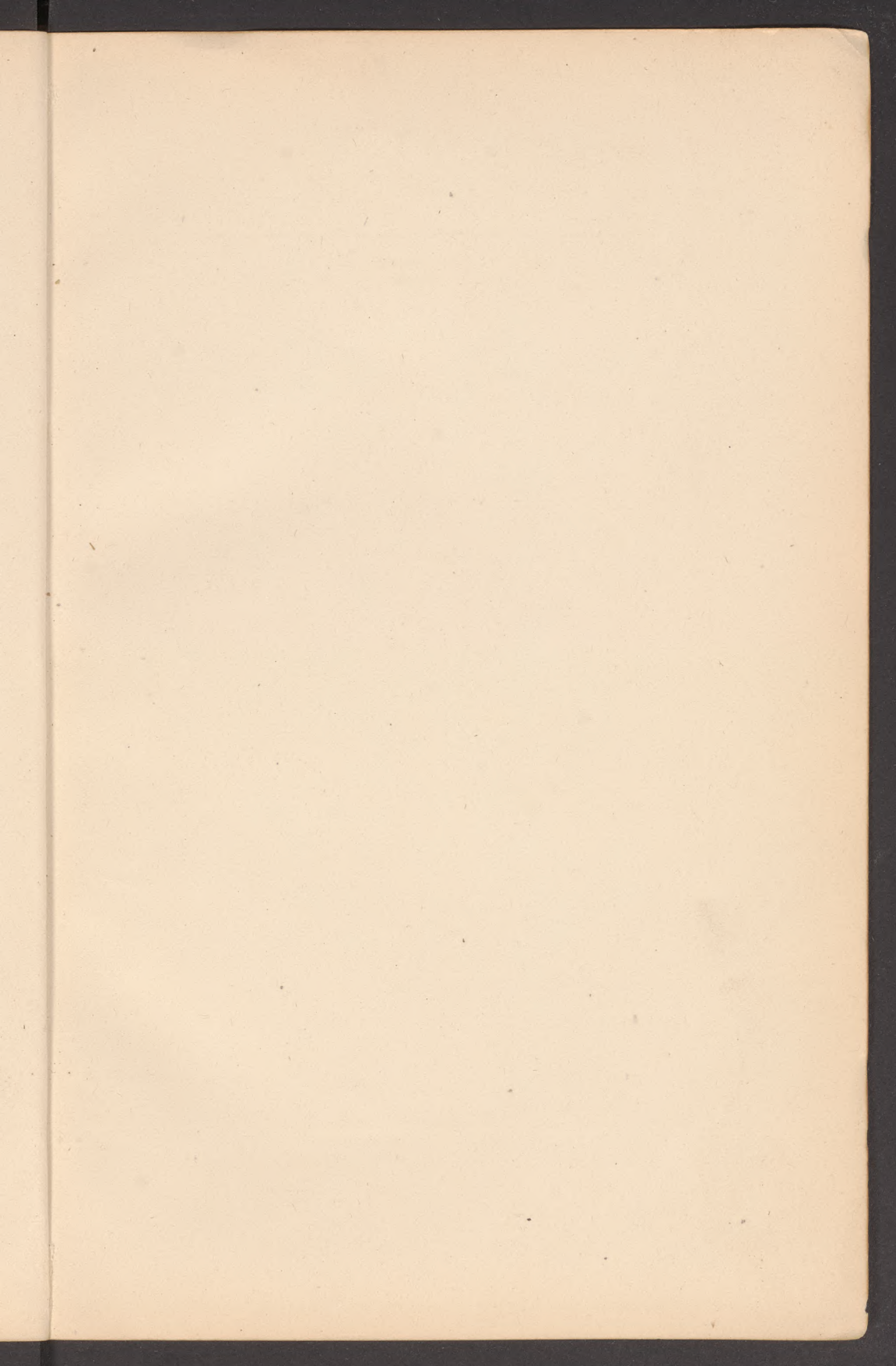


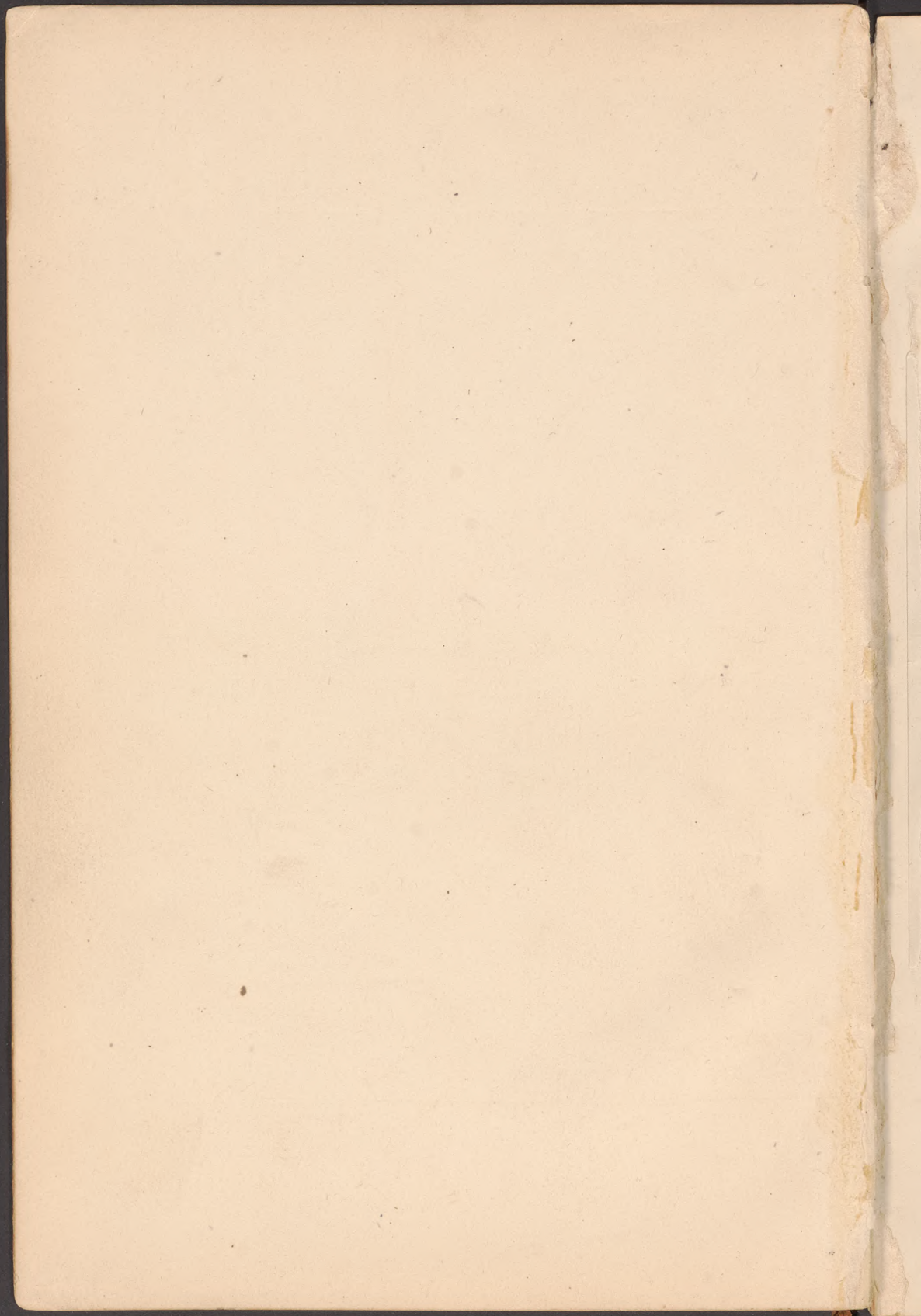


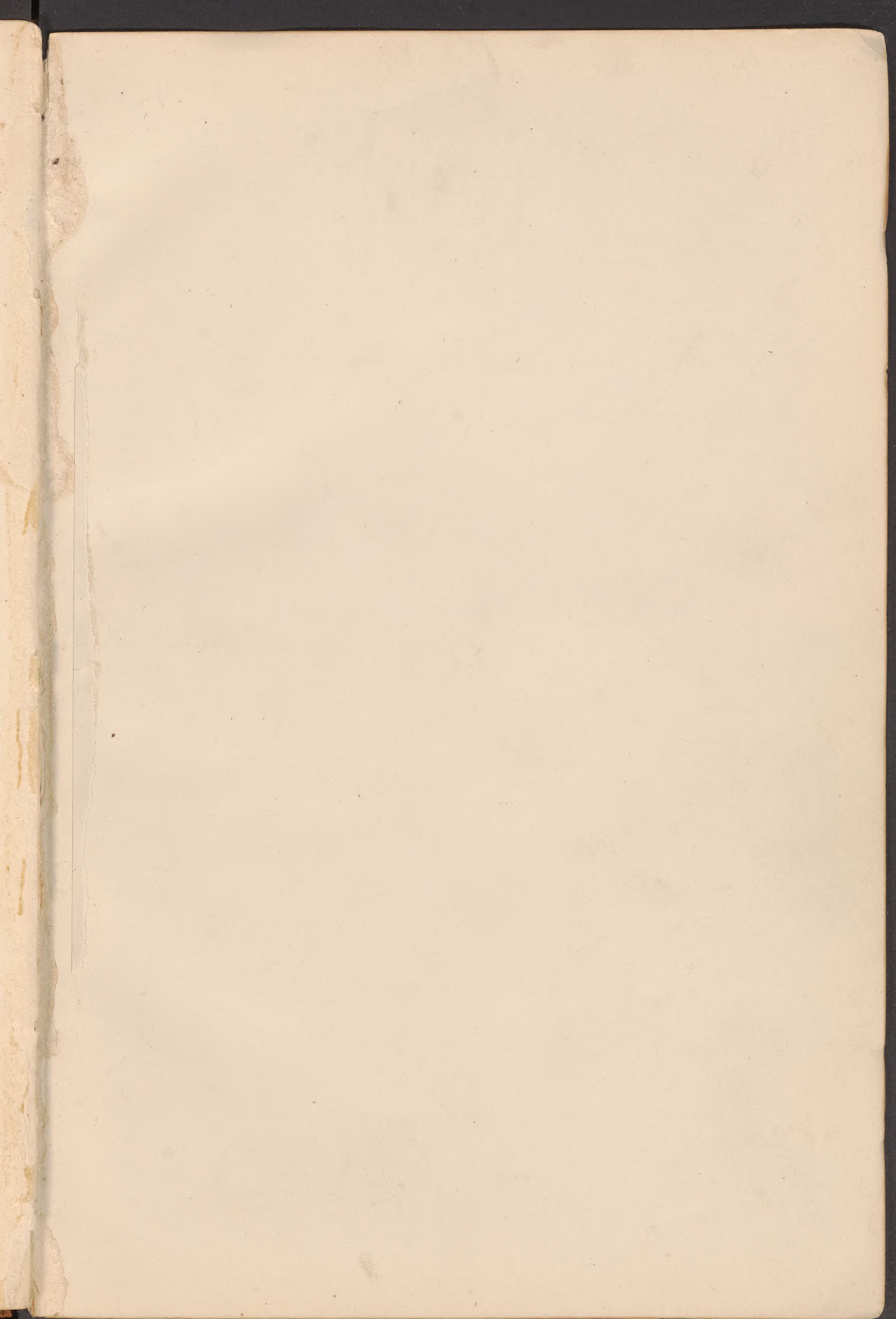
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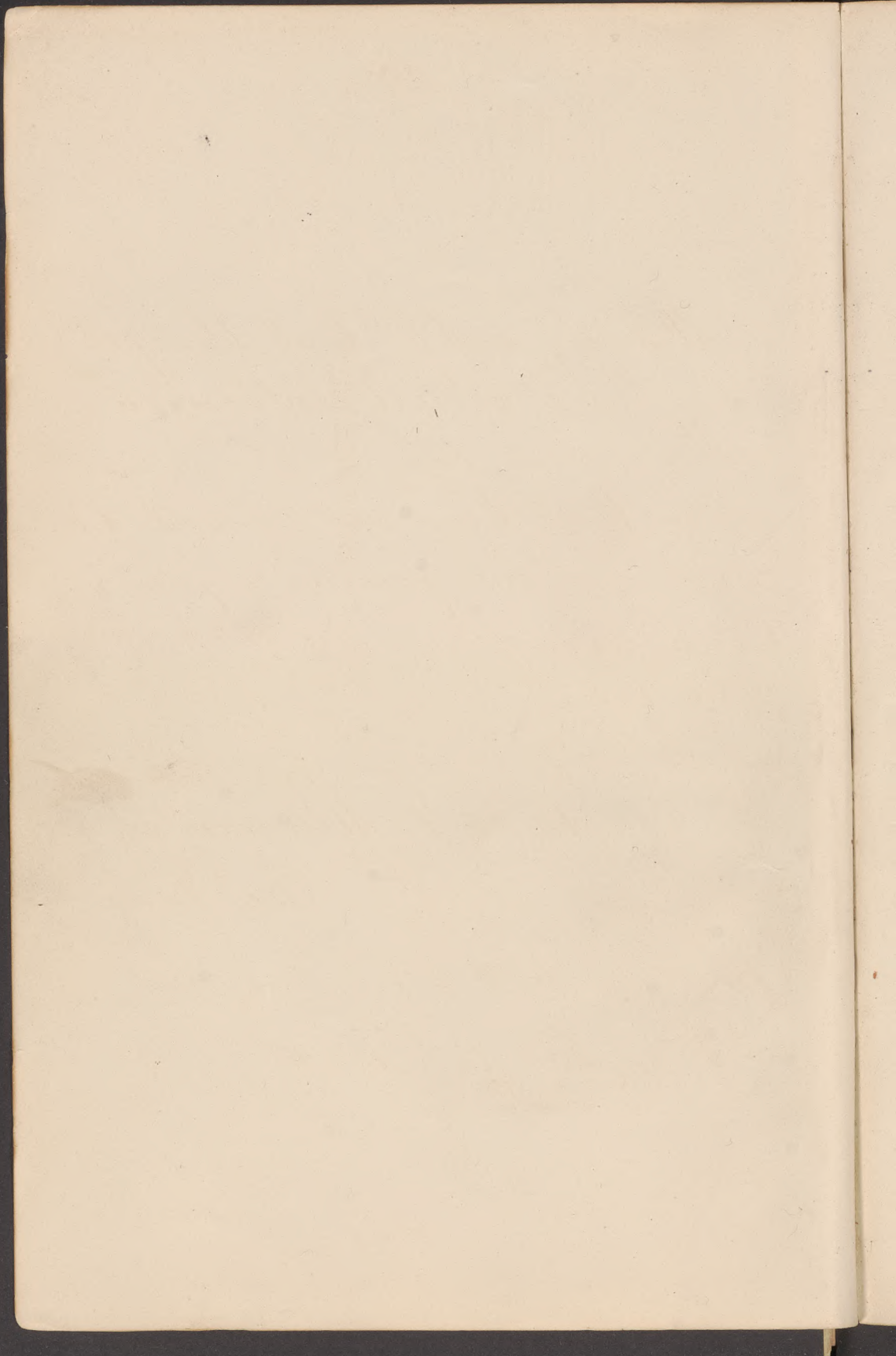












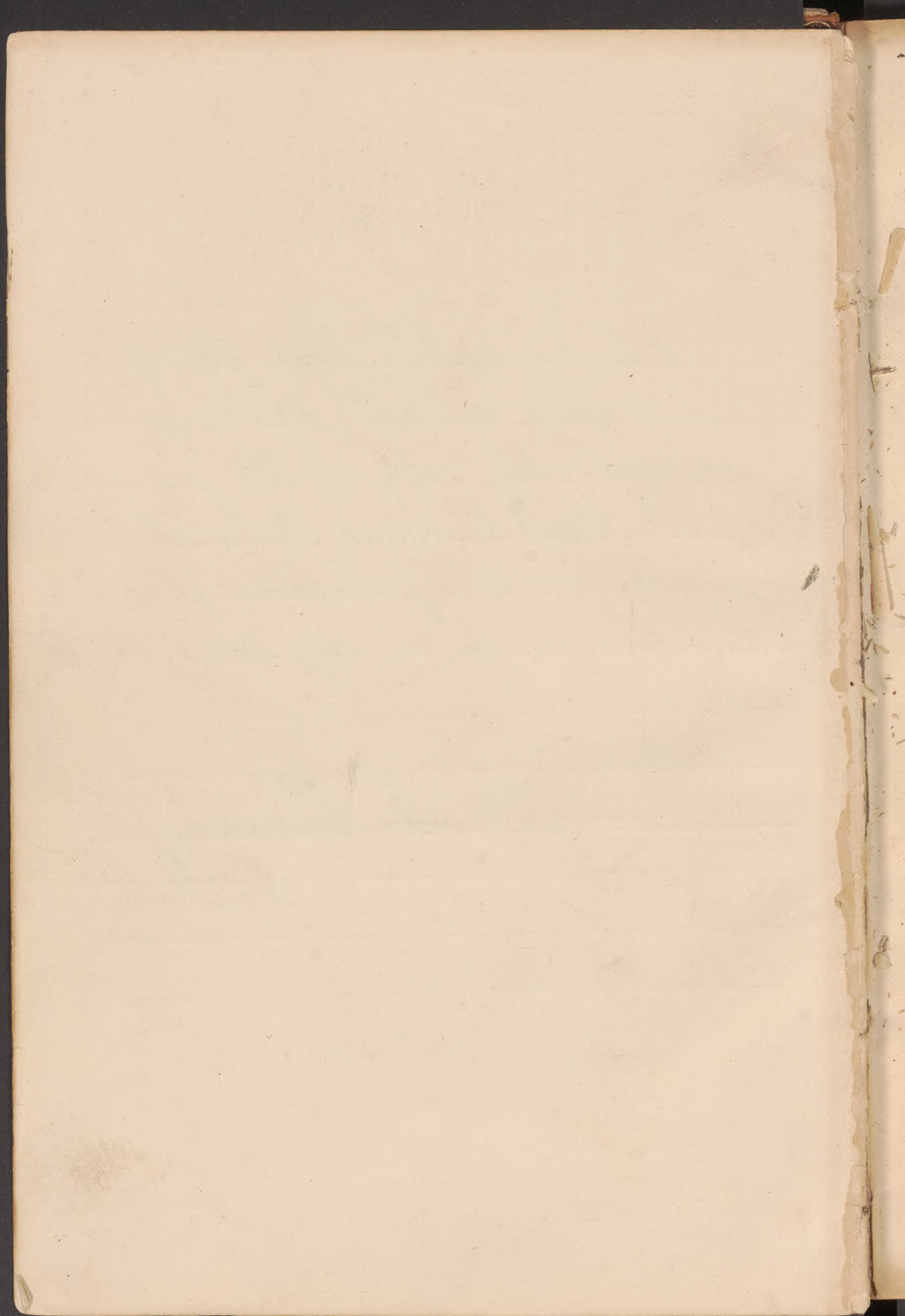
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Wheeling, West Va.,

March 14th 1888.



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To Preach Conference Sermon.

Appointee.—R. H. Hughes. *Alternate.*—W. E. Loomis.

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- Lay.*—L. D. Haynes, John Bailie, S. L. Townshend, O. H. Odell, Van B. Boggess, Wm. I. Boreman and J. L. Fullerton.
- On Centennial Celebration.*—A. J. Lyda, S. E. Jones, M. W. Rider, W. R. White, C. Poling, T. B. Hughes, J. A. Fullerton, B. Darlington and G. H. Williams.
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- On Missions.*—The Presiding Elders.
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- On Bible Cause.*—John Conwell, G. R. Copeland, D. A. Friend, B. F. Rogers, A. Mick, T. Cotton, E. C. Harbert, J. A. Dixon and P. C. Mays.
- On Temperance.*—J. M. Warden, J. E. Smith, B. Ison, A. S. Loveall, C. W. Upton, J. W. Lambert, J. A. Fullerton, N. C. Beckley and Wm. Hunter.
- On Presiding Elder's Accounts.*—A. Stevens, C. J. Trippett, A. M. Bowlin, W. D. Carrico, D. M. Heaston, R. B. Ward, E. G. Harbert, J. A. Martin and B. D. Mahone.
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- On Freedmen's Aid Society.*—The Presiding Elders.
- On Publication of the Minutes.*—The Secretaries.
- On Funds for the Publication of the Minutes.*—R. S. Welch, W. E. Loomis, G. Rodgers, C. J. Price, S. B. Tamblyn, G. W. Grimes, G. W. Kepler, N. C. Beckley and W. R. Hennan.
- On Post Offices.*—Fred. Cottrill, R. E. Woodruff, C. W. Cox, C. B. Meredith, E. R. Skidmore, W. W. King, A. D. Perry, G. W. Marston and L. D. Bryan.
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Conference Roll.

NOTE.—The figures before a name correspond with the same person's name in the List of Appointments, page 29.

Effective Elders.

25 Allemong, Charles S.	70 Heaston, D. M.	119 Prickitt, Samuel B. D.
61 Ash, David L.	36 Hess, John H.	18 Price, Charles J.
132 Beckley, Neville C.	17 Hite, George E.	45 Rider, Morgan W.
41 Bedford, Joseph W.	92 Hughes, Thomas B.	3 Rexroad, John C.
63 Boatman, Henry J.	134 Hughes, Robert H.	67 Ribheldaffer, Wm. G.
42 Baumgardner, N. L.	19 Ison, Benjamin.	44 Rogers, Gilbert.
53 Carrico, William D.	34 Jones, Samuel E.	60 Rogers, Benjamin F.
93 Chenoweth, Jasper F.	128 Jordan, Lewis H.	116 Ryan, Thomas P.
109 Chevront, William A.	79 Kelley, William W.	65 Roberts, Lloyd W.
94 Clark, James L.	35 King, Spencer.	26 Rohrbaugh, A. B.
7 Cool, Daniel.	91 King, Francis H. J.	31 Sanford, Henry C.
20 Copeland, George R.	97 King, Leondus D.	105 Shackelford, Charles R.
30 Cotton, Thomas.	37 Lakin, Calvin H.	23 Sharpes, William J.
2 Conwell, John.	88 Lambert, J. Wm.	32 Smith, Joseph E.
13 Crawford, Clark.	5 Lee, Joseph.	69 Steele, Samuel.
138 Cross, Levi.	24 Loomis, William E.	4 Stevens, Asby.
10 Chidester, T. W.	110 Loomis, Samuel C.	51 Stewart, Lorin L.
133 Darlington, Benjamin.	57 Loveall, Anthony S.	111 Tope, J. B.
1 Dix, Daniel H. K.	80 Lovett, Wm. E.	12 Trainer, Thomas H.
112 Dixon, John A.	9 Lyda, Andrew J.	58 Trippett, Caleb J.
127 Davis, J. T.	78 Mahone, Bennett D.	23 Taylor, Marion.
106 Engle, Jeremiah.	59 Martin, Gideon.	75 Upton, C. W.
14 Feather, Joseph B.	113 Matheny, George W.	103 Warden, James M.
Fitzpatrick, James B.	96 Mick, Asbury.	81 Warman, Clemmer.
49 Ford, Frederick G. W.	86 Miles, Henry H.	84 Webb, Jeremiah W.
117 Ford, E.	Moore, Okey J.	6 Welch, Randolph S.
104 Fullerton, James A.	87 Norris, John.	144 Williams, G. H.
39 Flanagan, David.	54 Orwen, E. H.	85 Wilding, George C.
33 Griffiths, James W.	48 Perry, Andrew D.	16 White, William R.
108 Graham, Christopher B.	90 Pribble, Ulysses.	50 Woodruff, Erastus C.
55 Hammond, David S.	68 Poling, Cyrus.	

Effective Deacons.

141 Bryan, Lorenzo D.	147 Hennan, Watson R.	137 Mays, Perry C.
11 Boreman, James S.	143 Hunter, William.	74 Tamblin, Silas D.
71 Cottrill, Frederick.	King, William W.	121 Upton, Delorane.
29 Dryden, Millard F.	56 Meredith, Clinton B.	101 Ward, Richard B.
38 Friend, David A.	120 Moore, Archibald.	28 Woodruff, Robert E.
89 Grimes, Geo. W.	130 Martin, James A.	

First Year on Trial.

43 Archer, Sanford P.	102 Clark, Chas. E.	21 Richmond, Taylor.
100 Bollinger, Chas. F.	145 Haines, Lorenzo D.	46 Weekley, William P.

Second Year on Trial.

95 Carder, David F.	15 Galway, Thos. E.	115 Kepler, George W.
73 Cox, Columbus.	122 Marston, G. W.	149 Nichols, Anderson A.
98 Cooper, William H.	126 Keyser, James D.	83 Skidmore, Elijah R.

Supernumeraries.

Bolton, James W. W.	Hess, John W.	Snodgrass, Jesse F.
Carroll, J. T.	King, E. D. W.	Somerville, Newton M.
Dawson, Samuel R.	Laughlin, Robert.	Williams, J. A.
Ford, Eugenuous.	Lynch, Francis N.	Woodyard, Richard.
Hitchens, Samuel.	McNeel, Moore.	Wallace, R. M.
	Morrison, A. T.	

Superannuates.

Benedum, D. S.	Dolliver, James J.	Pinchen, John B.
Birkett, John.	Eckess, J. W.	Reger, J. W.
Brooks, Robert.	Hagar, Benjamin.	Sanford, Vanlinden.
Brooks, Richard L.	Jones, Garrett.	Scott, Hezekiah.
Conner, Calvin.	Laughlin, Robert.	Shaw, Wm. H.
Crosfield, George.	Leslie, Lewis E.	West, John B.
Curtis, Albert L.	McGinnis, David A.	Wriston, William.
Dixon, Andrew.	Northercraft, Richard.	

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First Day.

BUCKHANNON, W. VA., Oct. 1, 1884.

The West Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church commenced its **Thirty-Eighth Session** in the Methodist Church, at Buckhannon, West Virginia, Wednesday morning, October 1, 1884, at 8:30 o'clock, with Bishop John M. Walden in the Chair.

Devotional Exercises.—The Doxology was sung, after which the Bishop read the fourth chapter of Second Corinthians, and announced the 798th hymn, which was sung. Then prayer was offered by George C. Wilding, and the **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** was then administered to a large number of communicants by the Bishop, assisted by D. H. K. Dix, A. J. Lyda, the Presiding Elder of Buckhannon District, the Pastor of Buckhannon Station, and others.

The Bishop addressed the Conference briefly, invoking the blessing of God on its present session. The roll was called, and 95 preachers responded to their names.

Secretaries.—On motion of D. H. K. Dix, George C. Wilding was elected Secretary by acclamation, with power to nominate his assistants, and the following named brethren were appointed :

Assistant Secretaries : J. F. Chenoweth, and M. F. Dryden.

Journal Secretary : Henry J. Boatman.

Railroad Secretary : J. Engle.

Statistical Secretaries : S. E. Jones, U. Pribble, R. H. Hughes, and C. B. Graham.

Standing Committees.—The Presiding Elders having been appointed a special committee by the last Conference to prepare and report to this Conference a list of **Standing Committees**, after being instructed to include the usual Disciplinary Committees on Church Extension, Freedmen's Aid Society, and Missions, presented their report, which, on motion, was adopted, and the following Committees were appointed. [*See List.*]

Time of Opening and Closing the Daily Sessions.—On motion, it was ordered that the daily sessions of the Conference commence at 8.30 A. M., and close at 11:45 A. M., and that the first half hour of each session be spent in devotional exercises.

Conference Bar.—On motion of W. G. Riheldaffer, the front line of the gallery was made the *bar* of the Conference.

Papers from the Ohio Wesleyan University, Beaver and Allegheny Colleges, were referred to the Committee on Education.

A paper relating to the Episcopal Fund was referred to the Presiding Elders, and they were directed to apportion among the various Districts the amount our Conference is asked to pay.

Introductions.—Rev. T. N. Eaton, of the Pittsburgh Conference, Rev. E. Harper, of the United Brethren Church, and Rev. Walter R. Long, Agent of the American Bible Society for the District of West Virginia, were introduced to the Conference.

Prof. Holmes, of the Allegheny College, was introduced, and addressed the Conference in behalf of that institution.

A paper from the New York Book Agents relating to Conference statistics was read, and, on motion, referred to the Statistical Secretary.

Afternoon Session.—On motion of George C. Wilding, it was ordered that there be held an afternoon session, to commence at 2 o'clock, for the purpose of gathering the Conference statistics.

The Twentieth Question of the General Minutes was called, namely: "*Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?*" and William G. Riheldaffer, Presiding Elder of Buckhannon District, there being nothing against him, proceeded to report the work in his District as being in a prosperous condition; there had been about six hundred conversions; six new churches had been built and dedicated clear of debt; and a number of church and par-

sonage debts had been cancelled. After Bro. Riheldaffer finished his report his character was passed, also the characters of the following Effective Elders, each reporting his collections: Cyrus Poling, E. C. Woodruff, Jos. Lee, D. M. Heaston, C. S. Harrison, C. W. Upton, Asbury Mick, W. E. Lovett, D. S. Hammond, and C. Warman.

Charleston District.—Henry C. Sanford, Presiding Elder of Charleston District, was called, and there being nothing against him, he proceeded to report the work in his District: There had been numerous revivals, resulting in about nine hundred conversions and five hundred accessions to the membership of our church during the year. The salaries of the preachers were better, and the benevolent collections were increased over those of last year. Bro. Sanford's character was passed, also the characters of the following named Effective Elders of his District, each reporting his missionary collection, also as to whether the other collections were taken: J. A. Fullerton, C. R. Shackelford, J. Engle, G. W. Matheny, C. B. Graham, S. C. Loomis, R. H. Hughes, W. A. Chevront, A. D. Perry, T. P. Ryan, and E. G. Harbert.

Clarksburg District.—L. L. Stewart, Presiding Elder of Clarksburg District, was called, and there being nothing against him, he gave an account of his District, reporting, among other things, the dedication of three new churches during the year, and three more in process of erection to be dedicated soon. A number of revivals had occurred in different parts of the District. His character was then passed, and the names of the following Effective Elders were called, their characters passed, and each reported his collections: E. H. Orwen, W. R. White, W. D. Carrico, W. E. Rippey, Gideon Martin, John A. Williams, W. W. Kelley, C. J. Price, Henry J. Boatman, L. W. Roberts, and B. F. Rogers.

When the name of G. W. Parriott was called, it was announced that he had died during the year.

Guyandotte District.—S. B. D. Prickitt, Presiding Elder of Guyandotte District, was called. There was nothing against Bro. Prickitt, and he proceeded to read a very interesting account of what had been accomplished during the year. Bro. Prickitt's character was passed, and, on motion of J. W. Webb, he was requested to publish his report in the Methodist Conference Minutes.

The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed, and they reported their missionary collections: J. T. Carroll, J. A. Dixon, Samuel Steele, N. C. Beckley, B. Darlington, and H. H. Miles.

Watch-Chain Presentation.—At this juncture, Dr. J. A. Fullerton, in a felicitous speech on behalf of the preachers of the Charleston District, presented a beautiful gold watch-chain to H. C. Sanford, who will at this Conference session complete his work as Presiding Elder on that District. Bro. Sanford responded appropriately and feelingly, thanking the preachers for their kind appreciation.

The Bishop appointed Gideon Martin to preside at the afternoon session, and J. Wesley Webb to conduct the devotional exercises at the opening of Conference to-morrow morning, and T. B. Hughes to lead the devotions of the afternoon session.

On motion, the following **Changes were made in the Committee on Centennial Celebration**: T. B. Hughes was appointed to take the place of W. C. Snodgrass, W. R. White was substituted for L. L. Stewart, and F. H. J. King was appointed to the place of G. W. Griffiths, excused.

Announcements.—The list of committees was called, and announcements made of the time and place of holding their meeting. After which the Doxology was sung, the Benediction was pronounced by H. C. Sanford, and the Conference adjourned.

Afternoon Session.

Conference met promptly at 2 o'clock P. M., with Gideon Martin in the chair.

Devotional Exercises were conducted by W. J. Sharpes, who read for a Scripture Lesson the 13th chapter of First Corinthians; hymn No. 574 was sung, and Bro. Sharpes led the Conference in prayer.

On motion, S. E. Jones was appointed to receive statistics, R. H. Hughes the benevolent collections, S. L. Townshend funds for the Board of Stewards, and J. Engle funds for the publication of the Minutes.

The roll was called by J. F. Chenoweth, Assistant Secretary, and the preachers responded, coming forward and making their reports.

The Conference Treasurer, J. L. Clark, being absent, on motion of S. E. Jones, R. M. Wallace was appointed Treasurer *pro tem.*, and the benevolent collections were placed in his hands.

There being no further business, on motion, the Conference adjourned. The Doxology was sung, and the Benediction pronounced by T. H. Trainer.

Second Day.

BUCKHANNON, Oct. 2, 1884.

The Conference assembled promptly at 8:30 A. M., with Bishop John M. Walden in the chair.

A Service of Prayer.—J. W. Webb, who had been appointed by the Bishop to conduct the devotional exercises of the Conference, announced the 7th hymn, beginning,

“Jesus, we look to thee,
Thy promised presence claim,”

which was sung. After which prayer was offered by Geo. E. Hite, H. H. Miles, and A. J. Lyda. J. W. Webb then read the fourth chapter of Second Corinthians, and led the Conference in prayer.

Reading the Minutes.—The Secretary read the minutes of yesterday morning's session. They were corrected, and, on motion, approved. The minutes of the afternoon session were read and adopted without change.

Respecting Presiding Elder Prickitt's Report.—On motion of L. L. Stewart, the Conference reconsidered its action of yesterday by which Presiding Elder S. B. D. Prickitt was requested to furnish a copy of his report of his District for publication in the Conference Minutes, and, on motion of J. W. Webb, Bro. Prickitt was requested to publish said report in the *Methodist Witness*.

Roll Call of Absentees.—The Secretary called the names of those absent from yesterday's session, and those who had arrived answered to their names.

Introductions.—Rev. R. A. Arthur, of the Cincinnati Conference, Lawson, of Wheeling District, Benj. Myers, of the Washington Conference, and Rev. M. D. Bovey, of the United Brethren Church, were introduced to the Conference.

The Twentieth Question of the General Minutes, “*Was the character of each preacher examined?*” was resumed, and Morgantown District was called. There being nothing against Bro. D. H. K. Dix, the Presiding Elder, his character was passed, and he represented his District. The spirit of unity obtained everywhere. Four hundred

persons had been converted, and there had been as many accessions to the church. Several churches had been built, and numerous others repaired; and there had been a general uplifting and onward movement of the entire church. The names of the following Effective Elders of the District were then called, their characters passed, and each reported his collections: John Conwell, J. C. Rexroad, J. M. Warden, J. T. Eichelberger, A. J. Lyda, Renix Weese, T. H. Trainor, W. J. Sharpes, R. S. Welch, Asby Stevens, and J. E. Wasson.

New River District.—J. W. Griffiths, Presiding Elder of New River District, was called, his character examined and passed, and he presented to the Conference the report of his District. There had been about five hundred conversions during the year; three new churches were building and nearly ready for dedication; one new parsonage had been built and paid for; financially the District had made but little advancement. The great need of the church in that region is money to support the preachers. The names of the following Effective Elders were called, their characters passed, and they reported their missionary collections, J. B. Tope, B. D. Mahone, G. H. Williams, F. H. J. King.

Oakland District.—Bro. Calvin H. Lakin, Presiding Elder of the Oakland District, was called, and there being nothing against him, his character was passed, and he reported the work in his District substantially as follows: There had been unusual prosperity in some departments of church work; five new church edifices had been dedicated free from all debt; several others were in process of erection; some parsonages had been repaired; there had been a small increase in the salaries allowed and paid the preachers; between five hundred and six hundred persons had been converted, and five hundred and five had united with our church on probation; the benevolent collections were somewhat in advance of last year, and upon the whole the outlook for the District was cheering. The following named brethren, Effective Elders of the District, were called, their characters passed, and collections reported: N. L. Baumgardner, D. L. Ash, Gilbert Rodgers, M. W. Rider, J. W. Bedford, Benj. Ison, F. G. W. Ford, Wm. M. West.

Parkersburg District was called, and George C. Wilding, Presiding Elder, reported the District in a prosperous condition. Seven churches had been built and dedicated clear from debt; five others were approaching completion; there had been an increase in the circulation of our church periodicals; there had been about six hundred

conversions and about five hundred additions to the membership of our church; the salaries of the preachers and also the benevolent interests of the church had been somewhat adversely affected by reason of the recent protracted drought, in every other respect the District had enjoyed a year of general prosperity. Bro. Wilding's character was passed, and also the characters of the following named brethren, Effective Elders of his District, each (when present) reporting his collections:

A. T. Morriston, J. H. Hess, Thomas Cotton, Ulysses Pribble, T. B. Hughes, J. F. Chenoweth, James L. Clark, J. W. Lambert, N. B. Johnson, R. M. Wallace and L. D. King.

Wheeling District was called, and the Presiding Elder, George E. Hite, responded, giving an account of the work in that region. Notwithstanding the great losses our preachers and people had suffered by reason of the great flood of last spring, the Elder was able to report general prosperity. The preachers had done their duty and their salaries had generally been paid.

Bro. Hite's character was passed, also the characters of the following Effective Elders of his District, each (when present) reporting his benevolent collections: Spencer King, Daniel Cool, J. B. Feather, C. J. Trippett, W. E. Loomis, C. S. Allemong, J. W. Webb, J. E. Smith, L. H. Jordan, S. E. Jones, G. R. Copeland, J. B. Fitzpatrick.

The First Question of the General Minutes, namely, "*Who are received by transfer and from what Conference?*" was taken up, and A. B. Rohrbaugh, of the Southern Illinois Conference, was announced as having been transferred to the West Virginia Conference.

Address in behalf of Mount Union College.—J. E. Smith, by request of the Trustees of Mount Union College, addressed the Conference in behalf of that institution.

The Report of the Board of Trustees of Mount Union College was presented, and on motion of W. R. White, it was referred to the Committee on Education.

Chartered Fund and Book Concern Moneys.—The Bishop announced that the Conference was authorized to draw on the Chartered Fund for Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) and on the Book Concern for One Hundred and Ninety-Eight Dollars (\$198.00.) On motion of W. G. Riheldaffer, both drafts were ordered drawn by the Secretary and placed in the hands of T. B. Hughes for the Board of Stewards.

The Bishop urged upon the Conference the importance of patronizing our Book Concern and circulating our denominational literature.

Communications were received from the Board of Education and from the Freedmen's Aid Society, which were referred to the committees having those interests in hand.

The Report of the Committee on Temperance was read by the Secretary, and on motion of G. E. Hite it was recommitted.

Loan to H. C. Sanford.—On motion of J. A. Fullerton, a loan to H. C. Sanford of One Hundred Dollars of the Conference Educational Funds was ordered.

The Eighteenth Question of the General Minutes, "*Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*" was taken up, and the names of Eugenius Ford, S. R. Dawson, Robert Laughlin, Samuel Hitchens, R. L. Woodyard, E. D. W. King, Moore McNeel, J. W. W. Bolton, J. W. Hess, B. L. Perry, J. F. Snodgrass, F. N. Lynch, were called, their characters passed, and their present relation continued. The characters of T. W. Chidester, Clark Crawford, and J. T. Davis were passed, and they were made **Effective**. The character of William Wriston was passed, and he was **Superannuated**.

The Nineteenth Question of the General Minutes, namely, "*Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*" was taken up, and the names of D. A. McGinnis, John Birkett, Andrew Dixon, R. L. Brooks, Garrett Jones, D. S. Benedum, J. B. West, Richard Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. N. Eckess, and J. W. Reger, were called, their characters passed, and they were continued in their present relation. R. L. Brooks and J. W. Reger addressed the Conference.

Various announcements were published.

The Bishop appointed T. B. Hughes to conduct the devotional exercises of the Conference to-morrow morning.

The Conference adjourned by expiration of time.

The Doxology was sung, and the Benediction was pronounced by J. W. Reger.

Third Day.

BUCKHANNON, W. VA., Friday, Oct. 3, 1884.

The Conference assembled promptly at 8:30 A. M., with Bishop Walden in the Chair.

Devotional Exercises.—The morning devotional services were conducted by T. B. Hughes. The 726th hymn was sung, and prayers,

interspersed with singing, were offered by C. H. Lakin, Gideon Martin and F. H. J. King. Brother Hughes read the 15th chapter of St. John, and led the Conference in prayer.

Journal.—The Journal of yesterday's session was read by the Secretary, and, after slight corrections, duly approved.

The Nineteenth Question of the General Minutes, "*Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*" was resumed and the names of the following brethren were called, their characters examined and passed, and they were continued as Superannuates :

W. H. Shaw, J. S. Laughlin, Robert Brooks, J. J. Dolliver, Benjamin Hager, Vanlinden Sanford, George Crosfield, Lewis E. Leslie, Hezekiah Scott, and Albert L. Curtis. Brothers Crosfield and Curtis were present and addressed the Conference.

The Third Question of the General Minutes, "*Who remain on trial?*" was taken up, and the names of the following brethren were called, their characters passed, and collections reported, and as they had passed satisfactory examinations on the studies of the year, and being duly commended by their Presiding Elders, they were continued on trial and advanced one year :

James D. Keyser, Columbus W. Cox, George W. Kepler, E. R. Skidmore, William H. Cooper, David F. Carder, George W. Marston, Anderson A. Nichols. **Thomas E. Galway's** character was passed and he was continued *on trial*, and not having passed an examination on the studies of the year, he was ordered to prepare himself for examination in the studies of both the *first* and second years at the next annual session of Conference.

Question Sixth.—The sixth question of the General Minutes, "*Who are Re-Admitted?*" was called and **John Norris** was re-admitted on a certificate of location granted by the East Ohio Conference, and Marion Taylor, from New Martinsville Circuit, on certificate of location. Both names were placed on the roll of Effective Elders. **Levi Cross**, an *Elder* of the United Brethren Church, after answering the usual disciplinary questions, touching doctrine and discipline, was received on his credentials, and his name properly recorded. He was excused from the course of study.

Question Fifth.—The fifth question of the General Minutes, namely, "*Who are Admitted into Full Connection?*" was taken up, and David A. Friend, Watson R. Hennan, Richard B. Ward, Silas D. Tamblyn, Perry C. Mays, William Wirt King, Robert

E. Woodruff, were called to the altar and addressed by the Bishop, who at the close of his address propounded the Disciplinary questions, which were answered by each member of the class in a satisfactory manner. Their characters were then passed, and they reported their collections. Favorable reports were given by the Committee on Examination and satisfactory representations made by their Presiding Elders, after which they were **Admitted into Full Connection**; and they were also elected to Deacon's Orders, except D. A. Friend, S. D. Tamblin, and P. C. Mays, who were already Deacons. Perry C. Mays passed satisfactory examinations on the studies of both the **first** and the **second** year, he not having been before the Committee at last Conference.

Introductions.—Rev. Black Evans, Pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church at Grafton, and Rev. L. E. Peters, Pastor of the Baptist Church at Clarksburg, were introduced to the Conference.

Publication of Minutes.—The Committee on the Publication of the Minutes presented their report by G. C. Wilding. S. B. D. Prickitt moved to drop the Biographical Tables from our printed Minutes, which motion was lost, and the report was adopted.

A communication from the Boston University was received and referred to the Committee on Education.

S. E. Jones, **Conference Statistician**, read the Delinquent List, i. e. the Charges which have failed, as yet, to report to Conference their statistics, etc.

The Bishop appointed Bro. Samuel Steele to open the Conference session to-morrow morning.

Various Announcements were published, the Conference adjourned by expiration of time, the Doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by James L. Clark.

Fourth Day.

BUCKHANNON, Saturday, Oct. 4th, 1884.

Conference opened promptly at 8:30 A. M., with Bishop J. M. Walden in the Chair.

Religious Exercises.—The opening exercises were conducted by Samuel Steele. Hymn No. 728, beginning, "*What a Friend We*

Have in Jesus," was sung, and a prayer meeting of half an hour was held. Brother Steele then read the third chapter of Ephesians, and led the Conference in the audible repetition of the Lord's Prayer.

Journal.—The Secretary read the minutes of yesterday's session, and they were approved.

Committees.—The list of the Standing Committees was called, and the Chairmen of those committees presented their written reports to the Secretary.

Introductions.—Dr. C. W. Smith, Editor of the *Pittsburgh Christian Advocate*; Dr. R. T. Taylor, President of Beaver College; and Rev. L. W. Pilcher, returned Missionary from China, were introduced to the Conference.

Question Tenth.—The tenth question of the General Minutes was called, and Anthony Mustoe, Alexander B. Williams, and Thomas C. Exline, having passed satisfactory examinations, and being commended by their Presiding Elders, were elected to Deacon's Orders.

Question Thirteenth was taken up, namely, "*Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?*" and the names of Wm. B. Trevey, Millard F. Dryden, Clinton B. Meredith, James S. Boreman, William Hunter, Geo. W. Grimes, Lorenzo D. Bryan and James A. Martin were called, their missionary collections reported, their characters passed, and they were advanced to the Second Class of Deacons. **Frederick Cottrill** and **Archibald Moore** were passed to the Second Class of Deacons, and required to prepare for examination in the studies of both the **third** and **fourth** years at next Conference.

Newton M. Sommerville's character was passed, and, on motion of S. B. D. Prickitt, he was granted a supernumerary relation.

Bedford L. Perry's character was examined and passed, and at his own request he was granted a **Certificate of Location** as a Deacon of the First Class, in order that he may complete his education.

Question Fourteenth.—The fourteenth question of the General Minutes, namely, "*What Traveling Deacons have been Elected Elders?*" was called, and after the usual Disciplinary proceedings, the following named brethren were duly elected Elders: Anthony S. Loveall, Okey J. Moore, Anthony M. Bowlin, David Flanagan.

Deloraine Upton, having failed to pass the required examination on **course of study**, was continued in the Second Class of Deacons.

Transfer.—When the name of **David Davies** was called, the Bishop announced that he had been transferred to the East Ohio Conference by Bishop Harris.

Place of Next Conference.—The Thirty-third Question of the General Minutes was called, namely, "*Where shall the next Conference be Held?*" and on the nomination of J. A. Fullerton, Charleston was selected as the place of our next annual session.

Question Nineteenth.—The Nineteenth Question of the General Minutes, "*Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*" was resumed, and the name of Calvin Connor was called, his character passed, and he was continued in his present relation.

Question Second.—The Second Question of the General Minutes, "*Who are Admitted on Trial?*" was taken up, and Charles F. Bollinger and Sanford P. Archer, of the Parkersburg District; William P. Weekley, of the Buckhannon District; Taylor Richmond, of the Wheeling District; Charles E. Clark and Lorenzo D. Haines, of the Morgantown District, being duly recommended by their respective District and Quarterly Conferences, and having passed the examination required by the Discipline, and being favorably represented by their Presiding Elders, were admitted to the Conference on Trial.

Introductions and Addresses.—Mrs. Rev. T. W. Chidester, Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society for the West Virginia Conference, and Mrs. Rev. Geo. H. McGrew, returned missionary from India, were introduced to the Conference, and Sister McGrew addressed the Conference in behalf of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Dr. Charles W. Smith, Editor of the *Pittsburgh Christian Advocate*, addressed the Conference in the interests of the *Advocate*.

Fraternal Greetings.—At the close of his address, Dr. Smith presented the fraternal greetings of his father, Rev. Wesley Smith, and Dr. Drummond, to the Conference, and upon the motion of Gideon Martin, Dr. Smith was requested by a rising vote to bear in return our fraternal regards to father Smith, at his home in Sharpsburg, Pa.

Certificates of Location.—At their own request, Certificates of Location were granted to the following named brethren:

Charles S. Harrison, who wishes to go West; **William E. Rippey**, who expects to return to his native State, New York; **Eras-**

tus G. Harbert, who wishes to attend the Ohio Wesleyan University, to more thoroughly prepare himself for the work of the ministry; James E. Wasson, who engages in the active work in the West.

Question Eighteenth.—The Eighteenth Question of the General Minutes was resumed, namely, "*Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*" and on motion, the relations of A. T. Morriston, R. M. Wallace, John A. Williams and J. T. Carroll were changed from **Effective** to **Supernumerary**.

Afternoon Session.—On motion of D. H. K. Dix, an afternoon session was ordered to convene promptly at 2 o'clock.

The Thirteenth Question of the General Minutes, namely, "*What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?*" was taken up, and the Board of Stewards presented their report by Brother John Bailie, and on motion of G. C. Wilding the report was presented by Districts and then adopted as a whole, and the funds distributed among the Conference claimants by Brothers T. B. Hughes and S. L. Townshend. On motion of W. W. Kelley, it was ordered that in taking up the **Fifth Collection**, Pastors must explain to their people that the proceeds of said collection will be applied to **Necessitous Cases**, (i.e. those ministers who have failed to receive an adequate support from their Charges), as well as to **Superannuated Preachers** and the **widows** and **orphans** of deceased preachers.

Secretary's Report.—G. C. Wilding presented his report of current expenses and a collection amounting to \$25.00 was taken.

The Committee on Bible Cause submitted their report, which was read and adopted. Pending the adoption of the report, Rev. Walter Long, agent of the American Bible Society for the District of West Virginia, addressed the Conference.

The Committee on Standing Committees were empowered and instructed to nominate the **Triers of Appeals** for the Conference.

Time Extended.—On motion of S. Steele, the time of the session was extended for five minutes.

The Committee on Centennial Celebration presented their report, which was read and adopted.

Dr. Gideon Martin was appointed by the Bishop to preside at the afternoon session, and Brother W. R. White to conduct the religious exercises.

Adjournment.—On motion, the Conference adjourned, the Doxology was sung, announcements were made by the Committee on Public Worship, and the Benediction was pronounced by Dr. Charles W. Smith.

Afternoon Session.

BUCKHANNON, W. Va., Oct. 4, 1884.

The Conference met promptly at 2 o'clock P. M., with Dr. Gideon Martin in the Chair.

Devotional.—The religious exercises were conducted by W. W. Kelley, who read a Scripture Lesson from the eighth chapter of Romans, and announced hymn No. 656, which was sung, after which Brother Kelley led the Conference in prayer.

The Committee on Church Extension presented their report, which was read and adopted.

A Resolution, signed by Samuel Steele and others, asking the appointment of George C. Wilding as Assistant Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, was offered and adopted.

Treasurer's Report.—James L. Clark, the Conference Treasurer, made his report in detail, and on motion, the report was adopted.

The Committee on Periodicals and Book Accounts submitted their report by William R. White, which was read, and, on motion of T. B. Hughes, adopted.

Report Deferred.—J. A. Fullerton moved the reception of the report of the Committee on Temperance. J. W. Webb moved as a substitute that the report be deferred. The substitute was adopted and the report deferred.

Observance of the Sabbath.—The report of the Committee on the Observance of the Sabbath was presented by Clark Crawford, read, discussed at some length, and on motion, adopted by a rising vote.

Freedmen's Aid.—The report of the Committee on Freedmen's Aid Society was presented, and after being read and discussed, it was adopted.

On Sunday Schools.—W. E. Rippey presented the report of the Committee on Sunday Schools, which was read, discussed, and then adopted.

On Education.—The Committee on Education presented their report, which was read by the Secretary, and adopted. Pending the adoption of the report, the Conference was addressed by Dr. R. T. Taylor, of Beaver College, and Miss A. Taylor, President of Wheeling Female College, who advocated the special claims of the institutions with which they are connected.

J. S. W. Dean addressed the Conference in behalf of a Conference Institution of Learning of high grade.

North Western Virginia Academy.—The report of the Committee on the North Western Virginia Academy was presented and adopted.

Twenty-First Question.—The Twenty-First Question of the General Minutes, "*Have any Died?*" was taken up, and fitting memoirs of W. H. Young and George W. Parriott, our fallen ones, were read, also the memoir of Sister Elvira S. Titchenell, widow of the late Moses Titchenell, of the West Virginia Conference, was read. After the reading of the memoirs, many spoke tenderly of the departed, and a most precious season of divine manifestation was enjoyed.

Collection for Janitor.—On motion of J. A. Fullerton, a collection was taken for the janitor, amounting to \$11.54.

A Petition from the Hartford City charge was received, asking that a part of the Pumphrey Fund be appropriated to that charge for the purpose of building a parsonage for the charge, and on motion of G. C. Wilding, \$400.00 of said fund were appropriated for the purpose, it being evident that a portion of the Pumphrey bequest was intended for that purpose.

Permanent Fund.—James L. Clark, Treasurer of the Permanent Fund, submitted his report, which was adopted.

Educational Fund.—J. L. Clark, Treasurer of the Conference Educational Society, presented his report, which was adopted.

Note of R. A. Arthur.—On motion of W. R. White, R. A. Arthur's note was returned to him and the obligation canceled.

Introductions.—The Rev. Dr. Charles H. Payne, President of the Ohio Wesleyan University, and Rev. Dr. J. C. Hartzell, Assistant corresponding Secretary of the Freedmen's Aid Society, were introduced to the Conference.

On motion, the Conference adjourned, to meet at 7:15 A. M., on Monday next.

The Doxology was sung, and the Benediction was pronounced by Dr. C. H. Payne.

Evening Session.

Conference met promptly at 7:15 o'clock P. M., with Dr. A. J. Lyda in the Chair.

Devotional Exercises were conducted by Bro. Pilcher, returned Missionary from China, who read the 811th hymn, which was sung, and Brother Pilcher led the Conference in prayer, which was followed with a voluntary by the Choir.

Announcements.—Joseph Lee, for the Committee on Public Worship, published the various appointments for public services on the Sabbath day.

Centennial Sermon.—Dr. Gideon Martin, who had been appointed by the last Conference to preach a Centennial Sermon, arose and took for his text the 3rd verse of the 126th Psalm, and delivered before the Conference a sermon full of historical facts and practical points, which was listened to with interest and profit by all, after which a hymn was sung.

Address.—Dr. Charles H. Payne was introduced, and addressed the Conference in behalf of education in general, and advocated in particular the claims of the Ohio Wesleyan University.

Journal.—The Secretary read the minutes of the forenoon and afternoon sessions, and they were corrected and approved.

On motion of H. C. Sanford, it was ordered that the Conference session begin Monday morning at 7 o'clock.

Committee on Standing Committees.—Bishop J. M. Walden, for the Committee on Standing Committees, reported to the Conference, nominating a Board of Trustees for the Centennial Fund, Triers of Appeals, Committees of Examination on Course of Study, brethren to preach Conference and Missionary Sermons, and their alternates. The report was adopted, and those nominated were elected.

The Bishop then presented the report of the Committee on Missionary Appropriations, which was read and adopted.

Traveling Certificate.—On motion of G. E. Hite, the Conference granted to J. A. Williams a certificate of his ministerial standing, for the purpose of traveling abroad.

On motion, the Conference adjourned.

The Doxology was sung, and the Benediction was pronounced by Gideon Martin.

Fifth Day.

BUCKHANNON, W. VA., Monday Morning, Oct. 6, 1884.

Conference assembled at 7 o'clock, with Bishop J. M. Walden in the Chair.

Devotional Exercises were conducted by Samuel Steele, consisting of the reading of the 121st Psalm, the singing of the 574th hymn, and prayer, led by Bros. Steele, Lyda and James L. Clark, concluding with the audible repetition of the Lord's Prayer by the whole Conference in concert.

Journal.—The Journal of Saturday evening's session was then read, corrected and approved.

The Committee on Conference Relations reported, recommending that **Eugenius Ford** be located, and that step not being practicable, on motion of S. B. D. Prickitt, the relation of Eugenius Ford was changed from Supernumerary to effective.

J. B. Fitzpatrick asked for a Certificate of Location, and on motion of J. Engle, his request was granted.

William B. Trevey,—On motion of H. C. Sanford, the Bishop was requested to appoint William B. Trevey as a student to Allegheny College.

William Wirt King.—On motion of G. C. Wilding, the Bishop was requested to appoint William Wirt King as a student to the Ohio Wesleyan University.

Okey J. Moore.—On motion of S. B. D. Prickitt, the Conference requested the appointment of Okey J. Moore as a student to Drew Theological Seminary.

Jacob T. Eichelberger.—On motion of L. L. Stewart, Jacob T. Eichelberger was granted a Certificate of Location, at his own request. Bro. Eichelberger expects to engage in the active work of the ministry beyond the boundaries of our Conference.

The Committee on Missions presented their report, which was read and adopted.

The Committee on District Conference Journals presented their report, which was read and adopted.

Presiding Elders' Accounts.—The Committee to audit Presid-

ing Elders' Accounts presented their report, which was read and adopted.

Samuel E. Jones, the **Conference Statistician**, presented his report, the aggregates were announced, the increase or decrease in the various items noted, and after certain emendations, the report was adopted, and an order made that it should be printed in the Minutes.

Report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.—Samuel Steele moved to print the report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in the Minutes of our Conference, which motion prevailed. Complimentary resolutions were adopted.

Dr. C. H. Payne addressed the Conference in behalf of the Ohio Wesleyan University, and the *Western Christian Advocate*.

The Certificates of Ordination of Deacons and Elders were presented and read to the Conference.

Fraternal Delegates.—D. H. K. Dix and Samuel Steele were appointed Fraternal Delegates to the Parkersburg Conference of the United Brethren Church, to meet next spring.

A resolution was passed relative to Conference Historical Society. Gideon Martin was appointed President, and J. L. Clark, Secretary, together with the following members: J. B. Feather, E. H. Orwen, J. A. Fullerton, John Reger, T. B. Hughes, L. H. Jordon, G. H. Williams, B. Ison, and M. W. Rider. A motion was made that the Church at Point Pleasant be allowed to sell church property for the purpose of investment. The motion was carried.

A resolution was offered by Geo. E. Hite, requiring pastors to instruct their people with reference to the Centennial Collection, to be taken in December next. The resolution was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was then read by the Secretary, and unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

A motion was made by Geo. C. Wilding, that the Parkersburg Camp-ground Association be permitted to sell the Camp ground for the purpose of re-investment. The motion was carried.

The Conference Journal was then read by the Secretary, and approved, after which the **Thirty-Second** Question was taken up.

The Conference sang the 810th hymn, and was led in prayer by C. H. Payne, D. D. The Bishop then distributed the Certificates of Location, and proceeded to read the appointments, after which the Benediction was pronounced, and the Thirty-Eighth Session of the West Virginia Conference was closed.

GEO. C. WILDING, *Secretary*.

JOHN M. WALDEN, *President*.

Special Services.

Tuesday Evening.

A Temperance Meeting was held, at which addresses were delivered by Geo. E. Hite, Bishop J. M. Walden and Geo. C. Wilding.

Wednesday Evening.

The Conference Sermon was preached by J. M. Walden.

Thursday Afternoon.

A Sermon was preached by J. Wesley Webb.

Thursday Evening.

The Missionary Sermon was preached by Joseph E. Smith.

Friday Afternoon.

A Sermon was preached by W. E. Loomis.

Friday Evening.

Anniversary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, addressed by Rev. Pilcher and Mrs. Geo. McGrew.

Saturday Evening.

The Centennial Sermon was preached by Gideon Martin.

Sabbath Morning.

At 9 o'clock the Love Feast was conducted by Benjamin Ison.
At 10:30 Bishop Walden preached to an immense audience.

Sabbath Afternoon.

At 2:30 o'clock Dr. C. H. Payne preached to a crowded house, after which the ordination of Deacons and Elders took place.

Sabbath Evening.

Anniversary of the Freedmen's Aid Society, addressed by Dr. Hartzell.

The weather, from the beginning to the close of Conference, was simply delightful October weather—all that could be desired.

Disciplinary Questions.

Question 1.—"Who are received by transfer, and from what Conference?"

Answer.—A. B. Rohrbaugh, from the Southern Illinois Conference.

Question 2.—"Who are admitted on Trial?"

Answer.—Charles F. Bollinger, Sanford P. Archer, Wm. P. Weekley, Taylor Richmond, Chas. E. Clark, and Lorenzo D. Haines.

Question 3.—"Who remain on Trial?"

Answer.—Thomas E. Galway, James D. Keyser, Columbus W. Cox, George W. Kepler, E. R. Skidmore, Wm. H. Cooper, David F. Carder, George W. Marston, Anderson A. Nichols.

Question 4.—"Who are discontinued?"

Answer.—None.

Question 5.—"Who are admitted into full connection?"

Answer.—David A. Friend, Watson R. Hennan, Richard B. Ward, Silas D. Tamblyn, Perry C. Mays, Wm. W. King, Robt. E. Woodruff.

Question 6.—"Who are re-admitted?"

Answer.—John Norris, Marion Taylor.

Question 7.—"Who are received on credentials from other churches?"

Answer.—Levi Cross, from the United Brethren Church.

Question 8.—"What Traveling Preachers have been elected Deacons?"

Answer.—Watson R. Hennan, Richard B. Ward, Wm. W. King, Robert E. Woodruff.

Question 9.—"What traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons?"

Answer.—Watson R. Hennan, Richard B. Ward, Wm. W. King, Robert E. Woodruff.

Question 10.—"What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?"

Answer.—Anthony Mustoe, Thos. C. Exline, Alexander B. Williams.

Question 11.—"What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?"

Answer.—Anthony Mustoe, Thos. C. Exline, Alexander B. Williams.

Question 12.—"Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?"

Answer.—David A. Friend, Watson R. Hennan, Richard B. Ward, Silas D. Tamblyn, Perry C. Mays, Wm. W. King, Robert E. Woodruff.

Question 13.—"Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?"

Answer.—Lorenzo D. Bryan, Clinton B. Meredith, Wm. B. Trevey, Millard F. Dryden, Jas. S. Boreman, Wm. Hunter, James A. Martin, George W. Grimes, Frederick Cottrill, Archibald Moore.

Question 14.—"What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?"

Answer.—Okey J. Moore, Anthony S. Loveall, Anthony M. Bowlin, David Flanagan.

Question 15.—"What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?"

Answer.—Anthony S. Loveall, Anthony M. Bowlin, David Flanagan.

Question 16.—"What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?"

Answer.—None.

Question 17.—"What Local Deacons have been ordained Elders?"

Answer.—None.

Question 18.—"Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?"

Answer.—S. R. Dawson, R. Laughlin, R. L. Woodyard, S. Hitchens, E. D. W. King, M. McNeel, J. W. W. Bolton, J. W. Hess, Jesse F. Snodgrass, F. N. Lynch, N. M. Sommerville, J. A. Williams, Richard M. Wallace, A. T. Morriston, J. T. Carroll.

Question 19.—"Who are the Superannuated Preachers?"

Answer.—D. A. McGinnis, J. Birkett, A. Dixon, R. L. Brooks, G. Jones, D. S. Benedum, J. B. West, R. Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. N. Eckess, J. W. Reger, C. Conner, W. H. Shaw, J. S. Laughlin, Robt. Brooks, J. J. Dolliver, Benjamin Hagar, V. Sanford, G. Crossfield, H. Scott, A. L. Curtis, L. E. Leslie, Wm. Wriston.

Question 20.—"Was the character of each Preacher examined?"

Answer.—Yes. The name of each Preacher was called, and his character examined as the Discipline requires.

Question 21.—“Have any died?”

Answer.—Yes. Wm. H. Young and George W. Parriott.

Question 22.—“Have any been transferred, and to what Conference?”

W.C. Snodgrass To So. Kan. Answer.—N. B. Janson, to the S. Kansas Conference, Renix Weese, to the Iowa Conference, Wm. M. West, to the Cincinnati Conference, A. M. Bowlin, to the Central Illinois Conference.

Question 23.—“Have any withdrawn?”

Answer.—None.

Question 24.—“Have any been located at their own request?”

Answer.—B. L. Perry, J. M. Grose, C. S. Harrison, W. E. Rippey, J. P. Fitzpatrick, J. T. Eichelberger, E. G. Harbert, J. E. Wasson.

Question 25.—“Have any been located?”

Answer.—None.

Question 26.—“Have any been permitted to withdraw under charges?”

Answer.—None.

Question 27.—“Have any been expelled?”

Answer.—None.

Question 28.—“Who are the Triers of Appeals?”

Answer.—L. H. Jordan, S. E. Jones, F. G. W. Ford, Gideon Martin, Cyrus Poling, T. B. Hughes, J. A. Fullerton.

Question 29.—“What is the Statistical Report for this Conference year?”

Answer.—Probationers, 2,401

Members, 32,239

Local Preachers, 223

(See Statistical Tables.) Total, 34,863

Question 30.—“What are the claims on the Conference Fund?”

Answer.—Amount estimated for the needs of Conference Claimants and Widows, \$3,000.

Question 31.—“What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied?”

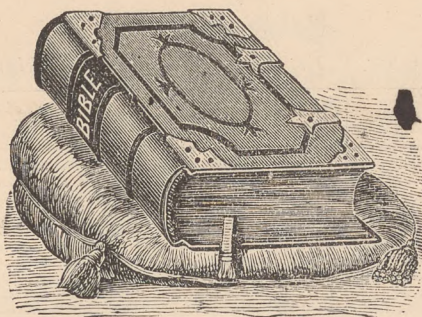
Answer.—See Steward's Report, \$1,825.00.

Question 32.—“Where are the Preachers stationed?”

Answer.—See Appointments.

Question 33.—“Where shall the next Conference be held?”

Answer.—Charleston, Kanawha Co., W. Va.



Appointments of Preachers.

Morgantown District.

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D. H. K. DIX, P. E. *Post Office address, Palatine, Marion Co., W. Va.*

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
2	Arnettsville.....	2	John Conwell.....	Arnettsville.....	Monongalia	W. Va.
3	Blacksville.....	2	J. C. Rexroad.....	Blacksville.....	"	"
4	Burton.....	1	Asby Stevens.....	Burton.....	Wetzel.....	"
5	Grafton.....	1	Jos. Lee.....	Grafton.....	Taylor.....	"
6	Halleck.....	1	R. S. Welch.....	Palatine.....	Marion.....	"
7	Jollytown.....	1	Daniel Cool.....	Jollytown.....	Green.....	"
8	".....	1	Supplied.....	Jollytown.....	"	"
9	Kingwood.....	2	A. J. Lyda.....	Kingwood.....	Preston.....	"
10	Knottsville.....	1	T. W. Chidester.....	Knottsville.....	Taylor.....	"
11	Masontown.....	1	James Boreman.....	Masontown.....	Preston.....	"
12	Monongalia.....	2	T. H. Trainer.....	Morgantown.....	Monongalia	"
13	Morgantown Station.....	2	Clark Crawford.....	Morgantown.....	"	"
14	" Circuit.....	1	J. B. Feather.....	Morgantown.....	"	"
15	Palatine.....	1	Thos. E. Galway.....	Palatine.....	Marion.....	"
16	Smithton.....	1	W. R. White.....	Fairmont.....	"	"

Wheeling District.

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GEO. E. HITE, P. E. *Post Office address, Wheeling, Ohio Co., W. Va.*

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
18	Benwood.....	1	C. J. Price.....	Benwood.....	Marshall....	W. Va.
19	Cameron.....	1	Benj. Ison.....	Cameron.....	"	"
20	Dallas.....	1	G. R. Copeland.....	Dallas.....	"	"
21	Greene.....	2	T. Richmond.....	Bannan.....	"	"
22	Fulton.....	1	Supplied.....	Fulton.....	Ohio Co.....	"
23	Marshall.....	1	W. J. Sharpes.....	Moundsville.....	Marshall....	"
24	Moundsville Station.....	2	W. E. Loomis.....	"	"	"
25	" Circuit.....	3	C. S. Allemong.....	"	"	"
26	N. Martinsville Station.....	1	A. B. Rohrbach.....	New Martinsville	Wetzel.....	"
27	" Circuit.....	1	Supplied.....	Proctor.....	"	"
28	Pleasant Valley.....	2	R. E. Woodruff.....	Limestone.....	Marshall....	"
29	Short Creek and Liberty.....	2	M. F. Dryden.....	West Liberty.....	Ohio Co.....	"
30	Triadelphia.....	1	Thos. Cotton.....	Triadelphia.....	"	"
31	Chapline St.—Wheeling.....	1	H. C. Sanford.....	Wheeling.....	"	"
32	Fourth St.,.....	3	Jos. E. Smith.....	"	"	"
33	North St.,.....	1	J. W. Griffiths.....	"	"	"
34	Thomson,.....	2	S. E. Jones.....	"	"	"
35	Wesley Chapel,.....	1	Spencer King.....	"	"	"
36	Zane St.,.....	1	J. H. Hess.....	"	"	"

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Oakland District.

C. H. LARKIN, P. E. *Post Office address, Oakland, Md.*

NO.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	YEARS.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
38	Albrightsville	2	D. A. Friend	Albright	Preston	W. Va.
39	Brandonville	2	D. Flanagan	Brandonville	"	"
40	Cranesville	2	Supplied	Cranesville	"	"
41	Deer Park	1	J. W. Bedford	Deer Park	Garrett	Md.
42	Evansville	2	N. L. Baumgardner	Mt. Lake Park	"	"
43	Grantsville	1	S. P. Archer	Grantsville	"	"
44	Newburg	3	G. Rodgers	Newburg	Preston	W. Va.
45	Oakland	2	M. W. Kider	Oakland	Garrett	Md.
46	Pleasant Grove	1	W. P. Weekley	Sinclairsville	Preston	W. Va.
47	Randolph Mission	1	Supplied	Red Creek	Tucker	"
48	Rowlesburg	1	A. D. Perry	Rowlesburg	Preston	"
49	Selbysport & Johnstown	2	F. G. W. Ford	Friendsville	"	"
50	St. George and Aurora	1	E. C. Woodruff	St. George	Tucker	"

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Clarksburg District.

L. L. STEWART, P. E. *Post Office address, Fairmont, Marion Co., W. Va.*

NO.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	YEARS.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
52	Bridgeport	1	Supplied	Bridgeport	Harrison	W. Va.
53	Cherry Camp	1	W. D. Carrico	Cherry Camp	"	"
54	Clarksburg	2	E. H. Orwen	Clarksburg	"	"
55	Fairmont	1	D. S. Hammond	Fairmont	Marion	"
56	Logansport	3	C. B. Meredith	Logansport	"	"
57	Lumberport	1	A. S. Loveall	Lumberport	Harrison	"
58	Mannington	1	C. J. Trippett	Mannington	Marion	"
59	Marion	2	G. Martin	Fairmont	"	"
60	Pine Grove	1	To be supplied	Pine Grove	Wetzel	"
61	Pruntytown	1	D. L. Ash	Pruntytown	Taylor	"
62	Smithton	1	B. F. Rogers	Smithton	Doddridge	"
63	West Milford	2	H. J. Boatman	West Milford	Harrison	"
64	"	1	Supplied	"	"	"
65	Wilsonburg	2	L. W. Roberts	Wilsonburg	"	"
66	Worthington	1	Supplied	Worthington	Marion	"

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Buckhannon District.

WM. G. RIHELDAFFER, P. E. *Post Office address, Buckhannon, Upshur Co., W. Va.*

NO.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	YEARS.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
68	Bealington	3	C. Poling	Phillippi	Barbour	W. Va.
69	Buckhannon Station	1	Samuel Steele	Buckhannon	Upshur	"
70	Buckhannon Circuit	3	D. M. Heaston	"	"	"
71	Beverly	1	Frederick Cottrill	Beverly	Randolph	"
72	Blue Springs	1	Supplied	Blue Springs	"	"
73	Canaan	1	C. W. Cox	Rock Cave	Upshur	"
74	Freemansburg	1	S. D. Tambllyn	Freemansburg	Lewis	"
75	Frenchton	1	C. W. Upson	Rock Cave	Upshur	"
76	"	1	Supplied	"	"	"
78	Glenville	1	B. D. Mahone	Troy	Gilmer	"
79	Phillippi	1	W. W. Kelly	Phillippi	Barbour	"
80	South Buckhannon	3	W. E. Lovett	Buckhannon	Upshur	"
81	Sutton	3	C. Warman	Sutton	Braxton	"
82	"	1	Supplied	"	"	"
83	Webster	1	E. R. Skidmore	Addison	Webster	"
84	Weston	1	J. W. Webb	Weston	Lewis	"

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*Parkersburg District.*GEO. C. WILDING, P. E. *Post Office address, Parkersburg, Wood Co., W. Va.*

NO.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
86	Belleville.....	1	H. H. Miles.....	Belleville.....	Wood.....	W. Va.
87	Centreville.....	1	John Norris.....	Ripleys.....	Tyler.....	"
88	Elizabeth.....	1	J. W. Lambert.....	Wirt C. H.....	Wirt.....	"
89	Ellenboro.....	1	G. W. Grimes.....	Ellenboro.....	Ritchie.....	"
90	Harrisville.....	3	U. Pribble.....	Ritchie C. H.....	Ritchie.....	"
91	Middlebourne.....	1	F. H. J. King.....	Middlebourne.....	Tyler.....	"
92	Parkersburg Station.....	2	T. B. Hughes.....	Parkersburg.....	Wood.....	"
93	Parkersburg Circuit.....	3	J. F. Chenoweth.....	".....	".....	"
94	" Mission.....	2	J. L. Clark.....	".....	".....	"
95	Pleasants.....	3	D. F. Carder.....	Horse Neck.....	Pleasants.....	"
96	Ravenswood.....	1	A. Mick.....	Ravenswood.....	Jackson.....	"
97	Sistersville.....	1	L. D. King.....	Sistersville.....	Tyler.....	"
98	Shiloh.....	2	W. H. Cooper.....	".....	".....	"
99	Valley Mills.....	1	M. Taylor.....	Valley Mills.....	Wood.....	"
100	Volcano.....	1	C. F. Bollinger.....	Volcano.....	".....	"
101	West Union.....	2	R. B. Ward.....	West Union.....	Doddridge.....	"
102	Williamstown.....	1	Chas. E. Clark.....	Williamstown.....	Wood.....	"

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*Charleston District.*J. M. WARDEN, P. E. *Post Office address, Charleston, Kanawha Co., W. Va.*

NO.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
104	Charleston Station.....	3	J. A. Fullerton.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha.....	W. Va.
105	Charleston Circuit.....	3	C. R. Shackelford.....	Tupper's Creek.....	".....	"
106	Clifton and Mason.....	2	J. Engle.....	Clifton.....	Mason.....	"
107	East Charleston.....	..	Supplied.....	Clendenin.....	Kanawha.....	"
108	Hartford City.....	2	C. B. Graham.....	Hartford City.....	Mason.....	"
109	Letart and Leon.....	1	W. A. Chevront.....	Leon.....	".....	"
110	Malden.....	1	S. C. Loomis.....	Malden.....	Kanawha.....	"
111	Mill Creek.....	1	J. B. Tope.....	Kentuck.....	Jackson.....	"
112	Point Pleasant.....	1	J. A. Dixon.....	Point Pleasant.....	Mason.....	"
113	Raymond City.....	1	G. W. Matheny.....	Frazier's Bottom.....	".....	"
114	Ripley.....	..	Supplied.....	Jackson C. H.....	Jackson.....	"
115	Sandyville.....	2	G. W. Kepler.....	Lockharts.....	".....	"
116	Spencer.....	3	T. P. Ryan.....	Walton.....	Roane.....	"
117	Smithville.....	1	E. Ford.....	Smithville.....	Ritchie.....	"
118	Walton.....	..	Supplied.....	Walton.....	Roane.....	"

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*Guyandotte District.*S. B. D. PRICKITT, P. E. *Post Office address, Huntington, Cabell Co., W. Va.*

NO.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
120	Barboursville.....	1	A. Moore.....	Cabell C. H.....	Cabell.....	W. Va.
121	Cassville.....	1	D. Upton.....	Fort Gay.....	Wayne.....	"
122	Ceredo.....	1	G. W. Marston.....	Ceredo.....	".....	"
123	Coal River.....	..	Supplied.....	Charleston.....	Wayne.....	"
124	East Hamlin.....	..	".....	Hamlin.....	Lincoln.....	"
125	Fairfields.....	..	".....	Fairfields.....	Kanawha.....	"
126	Guyandotte.....	1	J. D. Keyser.....	Guyandotte.....	Cabell.....	"
127	Hamlin.....	..	J. T. Davis.....	Hamlin.....	Lincoln.....	"
128	Huntington.....	1	L. H. Jordan.....	Huntington.....	Cabell.....	"
129	Laurel.....	..	Supplied.....	Cove Gap.....	Wayne.....	"
130	Monticello.....	2	J. A. Martin.....	Ashton.....	Mason.....	"
131	St. Albans.....	..	Supplied.....	St. Albans.....	Kanawha.....	"
132	Wayne.....	3	N. C. Beckley.....	Elm Ford.....	Wayne.....	"
133	Winfield.....	2	B. Darlington.....	Winfield.....	Putnam.....	"

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*New River District.*R. H. HUGHES, P. E. *Post Office address, Raleigh C. H., W. Va.*

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
135	Boone.....	...	Supplied	Hewitt	Boone.....	W. Va.
136	Clay.....	...	Supplied	Clay C. H.....	Clay	"
137	Concord.....	1	Perry C. Mays.....	Concord	Mercer.....	"
138	Elk River.....	1	Levi Cross.....	Newton.....	Roane.....	"
139	Fayette.....	...	Supplied	Kincaid	Fayette.....	"
140	Flat Top.....	...	"	Sharp's Springs..	Raleigh.....	"
141	Hinchman's.....	2	L. D. Bryan.....	Bald Knob.....	Boone.....	"
142	Logan	...	Supplied	Cow Creek.....	Logan.....	"
143	Mountain Cove.....	1	Wm. Hunter.....	Clifty	Fayette.....	"
144	Nicholas.....	3	G. H. Williams.....	Mt. Olive.....	Nicholas....	"
145	Ophelia.....	1	L. D. Haines.....	Ophelia.....	"	"
146	Oceana	...	Supplied	Oceana	"	"
147	Pleasant Retreat.....	3	W. R. Hennan.....	Pleasant Retreat	Clay	"
148	Quinnimont and Hinton.....	...	Supplied	Quinnimont.....	Fayette.....	"
149	Raleigh.....	1	A. Nichols.....	Raleigh C. H.....	Raleigh.....	"

W. B. Trevey appointed to Allegheny College.

W. W. King appointed to Ohio Wesleyan University.

Okey J. Moore appointed to Drew Theological Seminary.



Reports of Committees.

Education.

Your Committee on Education are happy to report a deep and increasing interest in the Public and High Schools of the State. A commendable progress is especially indicated in the present system of free schools among us, and also in the great interest we, as a Christian Church, are now taking.

We are convinced that among the 34,000 members in this Conference, there should be an institution of learning under the direct control of the M. E. Church, for the better education of her young.

Having carefully examined the letters, reports and catalogues from the several institutions of learning with which our Conference has been, and is yet identified, we see marked indications of real progress and success in their various departments of school work.

ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

This venerable and celebrated institution, under the successful management of Dr. H. Wheeler, we are glad to find in a healthy condition, with its future prospects bright and prosperous.

After examining the report of the Trustees, we commend it to the patronage of our people, and ask the appointment of Dr. Samuel Steele, L. L. Stewart and J. L. Fullerton, M. D., as a Visiting Committee, also the appointment of Hon. B. F. Martin, J. C. Bardall, L. H. Jordan and T. B. Hughes, as Trustees.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

is an institution of wide reputation. Its standard of scholarship is of a high order, and its facilities sufficient to meet the demands of the age in imparting a thorough, first-class education in all those branches taught in many of the best colleges of our land.

We call the attention of our young people, and especially parents, to the liberal patronage of this worthy institution and recommend the appointment of W. G. Riheldaffer as Trustee of the University for the term of five years, from June 22, 1885, to fill the vacancy that will then be made by the expiration of the term of Rev. W. C. Snodgrass, and Dr. A. J. Lyda, S. E. Jones and J. W. Webb, as visitors.

MOUNT UNION COLLEGE.

This institution, with its popular plan of education and large facilities, opens to every earnest, industrious student the superior advantages of a good education. Its central location and healthy, moral atmosphere continue to invite large and increasing patronage. We, therefore, commend it to the attention of our people, and recommend for a Committee of Supervision the appointment of Henry K. List, Dr. T. H. Logan and Hon. C. D. Hubbard, and for a Visiting Committee, Dr. J. E. Smith, L. D. King and W. R. White.

BEAVER COLLEGE

is beautifully situated on the banks of the Ohio River, 26 miles below Pittsburg, in one of the most healthful sections of Pennsylvania. It is an excellent home school for young ladies and possesses rare opportunities for both physical vigor and intellectual culture. Because of this and its thorough training we cheerfully commend it to the patronage of those desiring to educate their daughters.

We also recommend that we, as a Conference, accept the recent transfer by the Board of Trustees, of \$5,000 of the stock of this institution to our Conference, assuming no pecuniary obligations, however, and ask the appointment of Revs. L. L. Stewart, Geo. E. Hite, Joseph Teter, Col. A. M. Poundstone and Frank Woods, as Trustees of said stock, and Revs. J. Lee, E. H. Orwen and D. S. Hammond as visitors.

PITTSBURGH FEMALE COLLEGE.

We are glad to report a prosperous condition in this popular and valuable College for the education of our daughters. It possesses ample facilities for thorough culture. We therefore recommend it to the patronage of our people and ask the appointment of Rev. G. E. Hite, W. E. Loomis and L. H. Jordan, as visitors.

WHEELING FEMALE COLLEGE

is within the bounds of this Conference and is worthy the patronage of all those who desire to educate their daughters within their own State.

Its President, Miss A. Taylor, A. M., regards with especial attention the home life of all her students.

We also recommend all these institutions requesting donations to the liberality of our people during the Centennial year.

SAMUEL STEELE, Chairman.

E. H. ORWEN, Secretary.

N. W. VA. ACADEMY.

Your Committee on the North Western Virginia Academy, after having examined what data they were able to find, would offer the following:

1. *Resolved*, That we recommend the appointment of the following persons: O. H. Odell, Dr. David S. Pinnell, Sr., Dr. A. J. Lyda, W. R. White, L. L. Stewart, E. H. Orwen, W. E. Loomis and Calvin H. Lakin, as Trustees to fill vacancies in the Board.

2. *Resolved*, That the Trustees make such arrangements as they may deem expedient to carry out the original design that suggested the establishment of this school; and,

WHEREAS, Delay will imperil our interests as a Conference, we respectfully urge immediate attention on part of Trustees to this matter.

Signed, A. J. LYDA, Chairman.

E. H. ORWEN, Secretary.

Missionary Cause.

We, your Committee on Missions, submit the following as our report:

For the spread of the Gospel, the advancement of Scriptural holiness, the building up and establishing of our Church, we regard the cause of Missions as one of great power, and in order that we may occupy the position we ought to as a Conference, we see by our reports there is great need of a more vigorous effort being put forth by our Pastors to secure larger contributions to this cause; therefore, be it

Resolved, That every Pastor be required to preach a Missionary sermon at every appointment on his field of labor, within six months after he has entered upon his work, and take up his Missionary Collection; and should he not succeed in getting the amount apportioned to his work, he shall not cease his efforts, until, if possible, he has secured his entire amount.

We would impress upon the mind of each Pastor the importance of organizing all Sabbath Schools upon his charge into Missionary Societies, and the frequent instruction of our young people in the operation of our Missionary work in our Church.

We would most earnestly recommend a strict observance of the requirements of our Discipline in the organizing of Monthly Missionary Prayer Services and the taking up of the Monthly Missionary Collections in all our Sunday Schools, and at the close of same the distribution of our Missionary Literature.

W. J. SHARPES, Chairman.

H. H. MILES, Secretary.

Memoirs.

REV. WM. H. YOUNG.

Rev. Wm. H. Young was born Oct. 11, 1846, in Upshur County, Virginia, and died at his home in Middlebourne, Tyler County, West Virginia, May 19, 1884.

He was converted at the age of fourteen, and was early impressed with the duty of preaching the Gospel.

While on the farm, he committed to memory many of the precious truths of God's word, which, in after life, proved a source of great strength and power in the pulpit.

He was licensed to preach by Rev. S. Steele.

He was admitted on trial in the West Va. Conference, at Charleston, March, 1870, and was appointed to West Milford Circuit, under Rev. Spencer King. In 1871-2 he was in charge of Point Pleasant Circuit. In the year 1872 he was united in marriage with Miss Eltonah McGhee, of Harrison County, West Virginia.

He was ordained Deacon at Wheeling, March, 1872, by Bishop Simpson; and Elder, by Bishop Scott, at Fairmont, March, 1874. From 1873-5 he was in charge of Palatine; 1876 to Oct., 1877, West Union; 1877-9, Harrisville; 1880-2, Frenchton.

At our last Conference he was appointed to Middlebourne charge, whence he was removed to his reward. He was a man of sterling piety and conspicuous Christian principles. In the pulpit he was evangelical, earnest and impressive; in the pastorate, diligent and discreet; in the family, a devoted husband and a kind and affectionate father. In social life he was a warm-hearted, genial companion, kind in his disposition, intelligent in his intercourse, and refined in his manner. During his sickness, though suffering severely in the body, his soul was full of glory. Although entertaining some hope of recovery, almost to the last, he yet seemed submissive to the Father's will, saying, "My Father will do all things well, and though strange to me now, I shall understand it all by and by." On Monday morning, as the end drew near, he touchingly pronounced the benediction upon his family; then, with the Savior as his companion, he stepped upon the swelling waters, and after a few hours of severe suffering, triumphantly entered into rest. Many true hearts will cherish his memory. Those who knew him best loved him most. He leaves a wife and four children to mourn their loss; but they sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

REV. GEO. W. PARRIOTT.

Geo. W. Parriott, of West Va. Conference, died near Cameron, Marshal County, W. Va., Nov. 8th, 1883, in the fiftieth year of his age and the twelfth year of his ministry. At the last session of the West Va. Conference he was appointed to Bridgeport charge, but, owing to failing health, he did not reach his work.

He was born in Marshal County, W. Va., in the year 1834. His boyhood was one of toil. His early educational advantages were confined to such schools as the country at that time afforded.

Bro. Parriott was converted in 1859 under the ministry of Rev. D. H. K. Dix and D. Cool, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in 1872 was admitted into the West Va. Conference on trial. His appointments were successively: New Martinsville, Burton, Green and Masontown. In all his ministry he has been a faithful, earnest worker. His character most noble, his heart most tender, and his friendship enduring. But few ministers were more beloved by their people. He always had the entire confidence of the people. He was devoted to his work, genial, lovable at home and abroad. As a minister he was a workman that needed not to be ashamed. He was plain, simple, earnest, practical, an honor to the ministry, and a blessing to all the charges he served. Bro. Parriott's life was pure. There is precious joy in our recollections of this man of God; of his character, of his warm heart, his noble manhood, of his fidelity to God and the church, of the conflicts of his Christian life, of his victories won, his triumph over death, and heaven gained. He takes his crown, the fruit of a devout life and a faithful ministry.

MRS. ELVIRA S. TITCHENELL.

Mrs. Elvira S. Titchenell, relic of Bro. Moses Titchenell, died at her home in Taylorsville, Ill., Dec. 14, 1883. Her remains were buried at Rosemond, Ill., beside her husband. Sister Titchenell was born in Braxton County, Va., (now W. Va.), Jan. 2, 1810, united with the M. E. Church in her youth, and was married to Rev. Moses Titchenell, of the Pittsburgh Conference, Dec. 25, 1834. Sister Titchenell was a woman of superior intellectual endowments and acquired attainments, was well informed in the doctrines, usages and movements of the Church, eminently qualified for the itinerant work in which her husband was actively engaged, first in the Pittsburgh and afterwards in the West Va. Conference for many years, and to whom the Church owes a lasting debt of gratitude for the work done and the

good accomplished through his instrumentality. And it is questionable whether there is a minister, living or dead, to whom the Church in West Virginia is more indebted for her success than to this eminent minister of Christ, and that success was largely owing to the efficiency and untiring energy of Sister Titchenell. Having superannuated about the year 1870, they removed to Rosemond, Ill. By industry and economy they had acquired some property which, at his death, was left in her hands, to be disposed of by her according to their best concerted plans for the benefit of the Church. Consequently, a few years since she gave to the Loan Fund of the Board of Church Extension \$7,500.00. At her death, by will, she arranged for over \$2,000 more to go to the same fund, making a total of nearly \$10,000.00. Besides this she gave to the erection of a church in Preston County, W. Va., \$300.00, to the repairing of the church in Palatine \$300.00, and to the building of a church in Braxton County \$1,000.00.

Her affliction was protracted and severe, caused by curvature of the spine, but it was endured with Christian fortitude without a murmur or complaint. Finally she passed away as one falling into a sweet sleep. Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth, yea saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them.

G. MARTIN,

J. M. WARDEN,

D. COOL,

J. HENRY HESS.

On Temperance.

WHEREAS, Our Church has always taken her place in the front ranks of every great question of social and moral reform, and has been from the beginning identified with every progressive Temperance movement; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we re-affirm the action of our previous Annual Conferences, and declare ourselves ever ready to aid in every reasonable and practical way in the promotion of wise temperance legislation and reform.

Resolved. 2. That we are strongly persuaded that legal prohibition by the State is the most effective method towards which we can look for the speedy removal of the traffic in intoxicating liquors, and the prevention of the evils of intemperance, and that as a Conference, we will use our best efforts in that direction, laboring to secure the election of such candidates as will vote for the submission of the Prohibitory Amendment to the people, and earnestly request our State Legislature to grant to the voters of West Virginia, that which they have the right to demand, namely: the opportunity to settle this great question for themselves.

Resolved, 3. That we heartily approve of the action of our General Conference as related to this subject, and rejoice in such wise and progressive Church legislation.

J. A. FULLERTON, Secretary.

J. M. WARDEN, Chairman.

Centennial Report.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the importance of celebrating the first Centennial of the Methodist Episcopal Church in such manner as will advance the spiritual and financial interests of our Church, present the following report and suggestions for its proper observance :

1. We recommend, in view of what the Lord has done for us, in the great increase of our Church, in the continued maintaining the purity, Catholicity and Scriptural character of our doctrines ; in the attachment of our ministers and people to the doctrines and discipline of our Church—the freest and most orthodox church in Christendom ; and in the increasing spread of Scriptural holiness through these lands, that our ministers and people are requested to observe the month of December of the present year, especially the last week, in the following manner, viz : Each preacher in charge to prepare and preach a sermon on Methodism at every appointment on Circuit and Station, and after preaching such sermon, to give the congregation an opportunity of presenting their thank-offerings for the blessings they enjoy, such thank-offerings, donations and collections to be equally divided between the Permanent Fund for worn-out preachers, the widows and orphans of those who have died in the work, and the building and endowing a Conference Seminary, within the bounds of this Conference ; and further, that private solicitations be made to members and friends of our Church for these objects, each person specifying the object or objects to which his donation shall be given.

2. That each preacher in charge shall thoroughly canvass his work for these objects, and as soon as practicable, in January, 1885, report the amounts received in cash and notes, to the Committee appointed for such purpose.

3. That the amounts collected for the Conference Seminary to be applied to the erection and building of an institution of learning of high grade within our Conference. The location of the Seminary to be fixed by the Conference, taking into consideration the amounts contributed in each locality, and the moral and religious character of the community.

4. That a Committee of five be appointed by the Bishop, consisting of Chairman, Treasurer and three members, who shall receive the reports of the preachers in charge, containing the amounts received by them in cash and notes. Said Committee shall publish the amounts received by them in the Pittsburgh *Christian Advocate*, and shall continue to act in all such matters till the next annual Conference, when the Conference shall appoint Trustees to

hold in trust and dispose of the amounts committed to their trust, as the Conference shall direct, in the location, erection and endowment of a Conference Seminary.

5. We recommend that the Freedmen's Aid Society, in their scheme for raising half a million dollars, shall have our hearty co-operation and support.

A. J. LYDA, Chairman.

SAMUEL STEELE, Secretary.

Observance of Sabbath.

Your Committee on Observance of the Sabbath beg leave to report:

WHEREAS, The Sabbath is a holy day, instituted of God for the rest of the body, the culture of the spirit, and for the development of the entire moral and religious nature by prayer, meditation, the study of religious literature, and attendance upon the religious worship of God; and its observance is recognized in the legal codes of this Christian nation as binding upon all, whether individuals or corporations; and,

WHEREAS, There is now extensive Sabbath desecration in various lines of industry, and in needless pleasure-taking; therefore,

Resolved, That we, as Ministers of the Gospel, regard any industry for gain, or needless recreation taken on that sacred day, as a violation of the law of God, and injurious to society.

Resolved, 2. That all railroad and other corporations that carry on their industries on the Sabbath Day, deserve and hereby receive our condemnation.

Resolved, 3. That we enter our protest against the Sunday newspaper.

Resolved, 4. That, as heretofore, we cannot endorse, in any manner whatever, those religious meetings that encourage Sabbath-breaking by keeping open gates, receiving admittance fees, and inviting excursions to their premises on that day.

Resolved, 5. That we will exert all our influence in the pulpit, and out of it, to secure a strict observance of the Sabbath, and that, with a view to this, we will preach a sermon on this subject in each of our churches at some time during the coming Conference year.

C. CRAWFORD,
M. W. RIDER,
F. H. J. KING.

On the Bible Cause.

WHEREAS, The Bible being the word of God, the fountain of truth, containing a declaration of God's holy will for the instruction and guidance of mankind in the duties and relations of life, the unfailing source of comfort in

trouble and affliction, the way of salvation and the foundation of our hopes for the future; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That, as Ministers of the Gospel, we will faithfully proclaim these truths to the people. We will also use our personal influence and best endeavors to circulate the Holy Bible within the bounds of our respective Charges.

Resolved, 2. That we heartily approve of the canvass now being conducted by the American Bible Society throughout the United States, for the supply of the destitute poor with a free Bible, and that we cheerfully commend it to the confidence, sympathies and generous contributions of our churches and people.

Resolved, 3. That we will welcome its District Superintendent, or any col-porteurs it may commission to labor within our bounds, and that we will bid them God-speed in their evangelistic Bible work in our State.

Signed,

J. CONWELL, Chairman.

THOMAS COTTON, Secretary.

On Periodicals and Book Accounts.

Your Committee have examined the papers submitted to them giving an exhibit of the various publishing interests of the Church, and find them highly satisfactory and encouraging.

We respectfully recommend, in view of the fact that the publishers of the *Pittsburgh Advocate* contemplate a reduction in the price contingent on an increase in the subscription list, the passage of the following :

Resolved, That we will make special and earnest efforts to secure a larger patronage to this paper the ensuing Conference year, and that we will urge on each official member the obligation to become a subscriber.

We recommend also the passage of the following resolutions :

Resolved, That an earnest effort to circulate the books published in the interest of our branch of the Christian Church, together with our Church papers and Sunday School publications, to the exclusion of the cheaper and inferior products of other presses, should be obligatory upon every preacher of the connection.

Resolved, That we will endeavor to introduce into our revival work and Sunday Schools the intelligent and devout psalmody of our own Hymnal.

Signed,

W. R. WHITE, Chairman.

J. T. EICHELBERGER, Secretary.

Parsonages and Furniture.

We, your Committee on Parsonages and Furniture, find 64 Charges with parsonages and 72 without parsonages.

We reiterate the report of last year, that,

WHEREAS, The Discipline of the Church directs that wherever practicable, a suitable house, on each Charge, shall be procured for the preacher, and that it shall be furnished with at least heavy furniture; and,

WHEREAS, Many of the Charges of the Conference have failed to furnish a house for their minister; and,

WHEREAS, A large number of Charges that have parsonages have failed as yet to furnish them with furniture; and,

WHEREAS, The expense of moving is greatly increased by having to move furniture; therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That ministers of Charges, having no parsonage, make a persistent effort the coming year to procure a suitable house for a parsonage on each Charge.

2. That ministers of Charges having parsonages, but have not furnished them, make a strong effort to furnish them with suitable furniture.

3. That the Presiding Elders bring the importance of this matter before all the Quarterly Conferences.

Respectfully submitted, A. MICK, Chairman.

D. L. Ash, Secretary.

On Sunday Schools.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, submit the following report:

WHEREAS, The great Sunday School work in our Conference, as represented by the Presiding Elders and Preachers, is not as satisfactory as it should be, or as earnestly and zealously prosecuted as the importance of the work demands; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders be required to call the attention of the officers of their Quarterly Conferences to the importance of the work, and to urge upon them the necessity of a thorough organization of all the Sunday Schools as required by the Discipline, especially the organizing into Missionary Societies; also, that they be required to report every Preacher at Conference who does not use every endeavor to promote the interests of the Sunday School work by personally identifying himself with the school or schools of his Charge.

2. That our Presiding Elders and Preachers urge upon the officers of the

various schools the importance of purchasing their Sunday School helps from our Methodist Publishing house.

3. That the Pastors urge the use of the Bible in the Sunday Schools in connection with the lesson helps, and in no case allow the lesson helps to supplant the Bible.

4. That wherever practicable, that we urge the use of our Church Catechisms in connection with our lesson helps.

5. That our schools be distinctly Methodist schools, and that in no case organize any school as a Union School.

6. That we discountenance the use of any music book which does not reflect the doctrines of our beloved Methodism, and would hereby recommend the use of our Sunday School Hymnal in preference to all others.

7. That no teacher or teachers be employed who are not professed Christians, or are in sympathy with the doctrines and usages of our Church; be it further

Resolved, That at each session of our Annual Conference, we hold a Sunday School Anniversary.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. J. SHARPES, Pres.

W. E. RIPPEY.

District Conference Journals.

Your Committee on District Conference Journals desire to report as follows, viz:

Having examined the Journals of Oakland, Morgantown and Buckhannon Districts, we find them accurately and neatly kept.

C. J. TRIPPETT,

C. POLING,

Committee.

On Tracts.

Your Committee on Tracts beg leave to present the following:

Recognizing the fact that there has been, and still may be, great good accomplished through the careful and wise distribution of religious Tracts among the people, and that they are made potent by the Holy Spirit in reaching the heart as well as enlightening the mind; and also, that there is great need of efforts being put forth for the creation of a popular Temperance sentiment, and Missionary intelligence and zeal,

Resolved, Therefore, that we will give speedy and prompt attention to this matter, and greater prominence to the Tract Collection, and that we will procure for distribution a greater quantity of Tracts, particularly such Tracts as

will bring the subjects of Temperance and Missions clearly and forcibly to the minds and hearts of the people.

J. C. REXROAD, Chairman.

E. C. WOODRUFF, Secretary.

P. S. Accounts.

We, your Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Presiding Elders, find the amounts apportioned to the several Charges and Districts properly disbursed.

A. STEVENS,

C. J. TRIPPETT.

Pittsburgh Advocate.

Financial Report of the Pittsburgh *Christian Advocate*, to the West Virginia Annual Conference, for the year ending May 31, 1884.

Income During the Year.

From Subscriptions	\$12,892 22
" Advertisements	5,329 82
Total.....	\$18,222 04

Expenditures During the Year.

For Printing Paper.....	\$ 3,727 40
" Composition	3,255 85
" Editor's Salary.....	3,000 00
" Press-work, Folding and Pasting.....	1,870 55
" Business Agent's Salary.....	1,500 00
" Correspondence	1,483 78
" General Expenses.....	1,446 78
" Postage	1,134 56
" Ed. Office Expenses and Proof Reading.....	992 15
" New Type.....	439 19
" Wrapping Paper.....	84 00
" Market Report.....	78 00
Total.....	\$19,012 26
Excess of Expenditures over Income.....	790 22

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1883.

Assets.

Cash on hand.....	\$ 9,652 10
Investment in Building.....	6,829 08
Office Furniture and Material.....	1,668 65
Due on Subscription Accounts.....	3,981 35
" Advertising	4,061 46
Total.....	\$26,192 64

Liabilities.

Due to Sundries.....	\$709 72
Subscriptions paid in advance.....	972 93
Total.....	\$ 1,682 65
Assets over Liabilities.....	24,509 99

Circulation.

East Ohio Conference.....	2,650 00
Pittsburgh ".....	2,350 00
Erie ".....	2,250 00
West Virginia ".....	1,200 00
Outside.....	210 00
Exchange and Free.....	460 00
Total.....	9,120 00

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. MOORE,
For Pub. Com.*Report of Board of Stewards.*

The Board of Stewards met and examined the reports from the Charges, and would respectfully report the following amounts received for Conference Claimants:

Wheeling District.....	\$578 15
Parkersburg ".....	203 50
Morgantown ".....	162 00
Oakland ".....	112 00
Buckhannon ".....	91 88
Clarksburg ".....	86 00
New River ".....	52 50
Charleston ".....	44 00
Guyandotte ".....	29 50
Total from Conference.....	\$1,359 53
Received Dividend of Book Concern.....	198 00
" Interest on Permanent Fund.....	224 60
" " Funds in hands of Dr. Steele.....	3 00
" From Chartered Fund.....	30 00
" " Centenary ".....	9 90
Total Receipts.....	\$1,825 03

We have disbursed the above as follows:

To Widow Sidebottom.....	\$ 50 00	Paid to.....	S. B. D. Prickett.
" " Blundon.....	60 00	"	J. A. Fullerton.
" " Richmond.....	50 00	"	R. E. Woodruff.
" " Burns.....	50 00	"	S. E. Jones.
" " Irwin.....	50 00	"	W. R. White.
" " Hartley.....	140 00	"	G. E. Hite.
" " Monroe.....	60 00	"	U. Pribble.
" " Heatherly.....	20 00	"	S. B. D. Prickett.
" " Batelle.....	50 00	"	Bishop.

To Widow Weaver	100 00	Paid to.....	Benj. Ison.
" Young	130 00	"	Self.
" Parriott.....	160 00	"	G. E. Hite.
" O. B. Hughes, son of Rev. F.			
M. Hughes, deceased.....	20 00	"	G. E. Hite.
" son of Widow Hughes.....	20 00	"	W. E. Lovett.
" Rev. R. Northcraft.....	100 00	"	Self.
" J. J. Dolliver	100 00	"	G. E. Hite.
" B. Hagar.....	50 00	"	J. A. Fullerton.
" R. L. Brooks.....	75 00	"	Self.
" A. Dixon.....	100 00	"	B. D. Mahone.
" J. S. Laughlin	100 00	"	C. H. Lakin.
" D. S. Benedum	50 00	"	Self.
" C. Conner.....	15 00	"	G. E. Hite.
" W. Wriston.....	40 00	"	F. H. J. King.
" Geo. Crosfield.....	25 00	"	Self.
" J. Birkett.....	50 00	"	G. C. Wilding.
" A. L. Curtis	30 00	"	Self.
" T. E. Galway.....	15 00	"	D. H. K. Dix.
" A. A. Nichols.....	15 00	"	Self.
" C. W. Cox.....	25 00	"	Self.
" G. W. Matheny	10 00	"	H. C. Sanford.
" A. D. Perry.....	10 00	"	Self.
" J. A. Martin.....	15 00	"	Self.
" B. Darlington.....	10 00	"	Self.
" N. C. Beckley.....	30 03	"	Self.

Total.....\$1,825 03

The following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That we estimate \$3,000 as the amount needed for Conference Claimants for the ensuing year.

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders be requested to apportion this amount among the Districts.

Respectfully submitted, T. B. HUGHES, President.

JOHN BAILIE, Secretary.

Church Extension.

Your Committee on Church Extension beg leave to submit the following report :

WHEREAS, Our Board of Church Extension, in hundreds of cases, has enabled poor, struggling societies to build for themselves houses in which to worship God, who never would have been able to build but for the assistance given them by this Board, and,

WHEREAS, Many Church buildings have been saved to the Church which would have been lost by debt but for the timely aid afforded by the Board of Church Extension; and,

WHEREAS, The Board of Church Extension has given confidence to the Church in many localities, inducing them to build Churches, where these

Churches never would have been undertaken but for the fact that they knew they could obtain assistance from the Board if it were needed; and,

WHEREAS, Eighteen Churches within our own State, and most of them within the bounds of our Conference, have received aid from this Board; therefore,

Resolved, That we, as members of the Conference, will give our people the necessary information regarding the nature and importance of this benevolent object, and endeavor, to the utmost of our ability, to increase their contributions to its support.

Respectfully submitted, J. M. WARDEN, Chairman.

J. W. LAMBERT, Secretary.

Freedmen's Aid Society.

We, your Committee on Freedmen's Aid, submit the following report:

Having examined the documents put into our hands, we find that the late General Conference ordered that all our educational work in the South be under the control of the Freedmen's Aid Society, and that an appeal be made to the whole Church for half a million of dollars, as a Centennial offering. In order to raise the amount called for, it will be necessary for our Conference to assume thirty-three and one-third cents per member, making a total of \$11,438 for the Conference.

With reference to the whole subject of Freedmen's Aid, the Committee offer the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, The Freedmen's Aid Society was called into existence by the providence of God for the intellectual and spiritual development of millions of slaves made free by the war,

Resolved, 1. That we point with laudable pride, to the numerous schools and colleges, and to thousands of men and women educated and brought into the Church of Christ as the result of twenty years' labor.

Resolved, 2. That we endorse heartily the appeal of the General Conference for \$500,000, to be applied in our Southern work, and that we will do all in our power to raise our proportion of it.

Resolved, 3. That we will take a collection in all our Churches on the second Sunday in November, for this purpose.

C. CRAWFORD, Chairman.

Apportionment of Benevolent Collections.

DISTRICTS.	Missionary.	Conference Claimants.	Church Extension.	Episcopacy.	Freedmen's Aid.
Morgantown.....	800 00	400 00	112 00	118 00	110 00
Wheeling.....	1,660 00	830 00	224 00	238 00	220 00
Oakland.....	480 00	240 00	64 00	68 00	65 00
Clarksburg.....	660 00	330 00	88 00	98 00	88 00
Buckhannon.....	600 00	300 00	80 00	85 00	80 00
Parkersburg.....	660 00	330 00	88 00	93 00	88 00
Charleston.....	480 00	240 00	64 00	68 00	65 00
Guyandotte.....	360 00	180 00	48 00	51 00	48 00
New River.....	300 00	150 00	40 00	42 00	40 00
Totals.....	6,000 00	3,000 00	808 00	861 00	804 00

D. H. K. DIX, President.

GEO. C. WILDING, Secretary.

W. F. M. Society.

Annual Report of the W. F. M. Society of the W. Va. Conference Division :

Morgantown District.

Morgantown	\$17 89
" Circuit.....	11 89
Brandonville.....	16 50
Arnettsville.....	10 00
Masontown	9 96
Kingwood	20 76
Grafton, (by collection).....	6 06
Newburg, (by collection).....	4 09
Total.....	\$97 15

Clarksburg District.

Clarksburg, (by collection).....	\$ 1 43
Mannington.....	6 00
Pruntytown	10 00
Marion	5 00
Total.....	\$22 43

Wheeling District.

Wheeling, Fourth St.....	\$47 00
" Chapline St.....	46 00
" Zane St.....	18 00
" Thompson Church.....	25 00
Moundsville	44 92
Triadelphia.....	38 00
Total.....	\$215 92

Parkersburg District.

Parkersburg \$75 00

Total \$75 00

Guyandotte District.

Huntington \$13 00

Total \$13 00

Total for Conference \$423 50

*Missionary Appropriations.**Morgantown District.*

Burton \$100 00

Wheeling District.

New Martinsville Station \$50 00

" " Circuit 50 00

\$100 00

Oakland District.

Pleasant Grove \$ 40 00

Deer Park 75 00

Randolph Mission 60 00

Cranesville 25 00

\$200 00

Clarksburg District.

Worthington \$ 65 00

Logansport 40 00

Pine Grove 60 00

\$165 00

Buckhannon District.

Bealington \$ 60 00

Canaan 60 00

Blue Spring 60 00

South Buckhannon 60 00

\$240 00

Charleston District.

District \$125 00

Ripley 50 00

Sandyville 50 00

Mill Creek 50 00

East Charleston 50 00

Walton 50 00

Raymond City 50 00

\$425 00

Parkersburg District.

Petroleum \$100 00

Guyandotte District.

District \$250 00

Cassville 25 00

Barboursville 50 00

Ceredo 75 00

Coal River 50 00

East Hamlin 25 00

Fairfield 100 00

Guyandotte 50 00

Hamlin 50 00

Laurel 25 00

St. Albans 50 00

Winfield 100 00

\$850 00

New River District.

District \$200 00

Raleigh 50 00

Pleasant Retreat 40 00

Elk River 50 00

Mountain Cove 50 00

Logan 30 00

Flat Top 40 00

Concord 40 00

Clay 50 00

Fayette 50 00

Hinchman 70 00

Boone 30 00

Oceana 50 00

Ophelia 70 00

\$820 00

Total \$3,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

J. M. WALDEN.

D. H. K. DIX, Chairman.

GEO. C. WILDING, Secretary.

Reports of Conference Officers.

Secretary's Report.

Incidental Expenses.

EXPENDITURES.

Balance from Last Year	\$ 5 24
Postage, Stationery and Expressage	12 00
General Minutes	1 25
Printing Bills and Conference Envelopes	9 26
Total	27 75

CONTRA.

By Blank Book sold	\$ 4 00
By Collection of Last Conference	10 65
Total	14 65
Balance Due Secretary	13 10

Conference Minutes.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from Last Year	\$262 09
Paid by Preachers at Conference	69 15
“ “ since Conference	54 67
Received from Advertisements	335 10
Total Receipts	\$721 01

EXPENDITURES.

Expense of Securing Advertisements	19 33
Postage, Expressage and Wrapping	49 13
Printing Minutes	356 04
Binding Three Volumes of Minutes	7 50
	432 00
Balance in hands of Secretary	\$289 01

GEORGE C. WILDING, Secretary.

Treasurer's Report.

Missionary Cause.

Morgantown District.....	\$ 295 40
Wheeling	1335 00
Oakland	313 25
Clarksburg	326 00
Buckhannon	272 27
Parkersburg	500 00
Charleston	119 00
Guyandotte	75 60
New River	89 00

Total\$3325 42

Last Year..... 3637 73

Decrease.....\$ 312 31

Bishop's Fund.

Morgantown District.....	\$ 69 00
Wheeling	145 00
Oakland	51 61
Clarksburg	66 70
Buckhannon	50 50
Parkersburg	79 50
Charleston	41 00
Guyandotte	18 50
New River	19 00

Total\$ 540 81

Last Year..... 465 06

Increase.....\$ 75 75

Church Extension.

Morgantown District.....	\$ 24 00
Wheeling	145 47
Oakland	23 00
Clarksburg	25 00
Buckhannon	20 00
Parkersburg	27 09
Charleston	17 50
Guyandotte	11 85
New River	6 75

Total\$ 800 57

Last Year..... 337 87

Decrease.....\$ 37 30

Freemen's Aid.

Morgantown District.....	\$ 36 00
Wheeling	123 60
Oakland	23 75
Clarksburg	15 00
Buckhannon	15 75
Parkersburg	34 30
Charleston	7 00
Guyandotte	3 55
New River	4 00

Total\$ 262 95

Last Year..... 283 63

Decrease.....\$ 20 68

Sunday School Union.

Morgantown District.....	\$ 4 50
Wheeling	30 40
Oakland	8 00
Clarksburg	5 00
Buckhannon	9 00
Parkersburg	8 00
Charleston	4 60
Guyandotte	2 50
New River	1 10

Total\$ 72 50

Last Year..... 85 39

Decrease.....\$ 12 89

Tract Cause.

Morgantown District.....	\$ 5 00
Wheeling	47 40
Oakland	10 00
Clarksburg	6 00
Buckhannon	7 00
Parkersburg	7 08
Charleston	4 00
Guyandotte	1 52
New River	50

Total\$ 89 00

Last Year..... 85 68

Increase.....\$ 3 32

Educational.

Morgantown District.....	\$ 21 00
Wheeling	169 17
Oakland	32 01
Clarksburg	77 60
Buckhannon	32 71
Parkersburg	32 70
Charleston	38 25
Guyandotte	18 42
New River	6 00

Total\$ 427 86

Last Year..... 244 38

Increase.....\$ 183 48

*Only \$85.43 for our own Educational Society, all the rest sent to New York.

J. L. C., Treasurer.

Bible Cause.

Morgantown District.....	\$ 58 46
Wheeling	128 28
Oakland	23 26
Clarksburg	26 86
Buckhannon	23 32
Parkersburg	60 52
Charleston	29 80
Guyandotte	53 66
New River	8 25

Total\$ 392 41

Last Year..... 392 74

Decrease.....\$ 33

Treasurer of Permanent Fund.

PARKERSBURG, September 30, 1884.

The Treasurer of the Permanent Fund submits this as his Annual Report :

Since my last report Dr. G. Martin has placed in my hands as a part of the Pumphrey Fund notes amounting to \$1,275.00, making \$1,375.00 of that fund now in my possession. There are other Conference funds that have never come into my hands.

FUNDS IN MY POSSESSION.

From Jones Estate	\$ 600 00
From Centennary Fund	165 00
From Preachers' Aid Society	162 28
Money received through Bro. Mullenix	170 00
H. K. List Fund	500 00
C. P. Masden	25 00
W. R. White	100 00
Minute Fund	265 75
G. C. Wilding	28 00
W. J. Sharpes	25 00
Pumphrey Fund	1375 00
Collections	12 50

Total \$3428 93

Interest collected on the above and paid to the Stewards.

JAMES L. CLARK, Treasurer.

Report of the Treasurer of the Educational Fund.

Since my last report, by the direction of Conference, I loaned to D. A. Denton \$160.00, and to Bro. R. H. Hughes \$100.00, for which I took their notes, with security.

In regard to the R. A. Arthur note, I consented at the request of several brethren, instead of proceeding against him at his Conference, for him to appear before our Conference and have a hearing on the subject.

I have seen some parties who have loans from the Society, and have written to others, but have made no collections.

Parkersburg, Sept. 25, 1884.

JAMES L. CLARK, Treasurer.

Certificate of Ordination.

This certifies that Watson R. Hennan, Richard B. Ward, William W. King, Robert E. Woodruff, Alexander B. Williams, Anthony Mustoe, and Thomas C. Exline were ordained Deacons at Buckhannon, W. Va., October 5th, 1884.

J. M. WALDEN, President.

This certifies that Anthony S. Loveall, Anthony M. Bowlin, and David Flanagan were ordained Elders at Buckhannon, W. Va., October 5th, 1884.

J. M. WALDEN, President.

Resolutions.

Recommendation.

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, earnestly and cordially recommend our worthy and esteemed Brother, Geo. C. Wilding, for the position of Assistant Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, and most respectfully request the General Committee to honor our Conference by making this appointment, believing, as we do, that with his excellent qualifications he would most efficiently fill the position, and do grand service for the cause of Church Extension.

Signed,

S. B. D. PRICKITT,	A. J. LYDA,
SAM'L E. JONES,	GEO. E. HITE,
J. A. FULLERTON,	J. L. CLARK,
E. H. ORWEN,	M. F. DRYDEN,
J. WESLEY WEBB,	F. B. HUGHES,
SAMUEL STEELE,	L. D. KING,
D. H. K. DIX.	

Arthur's Note.

Resolved, That the account named among the assets of our Educational Fund as standing against Rev. R. A. Arthur, be remitted, and that his note be returned to him.

W. R. WHITE,
J. L. CLARK,
S. B. D. PRICKITT.

Centennial Collection.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Conference that it would be wise to call the attention of our people of means to the importance of the object for which the collection in November will be taken.

GEO. E. HITE,
A. J. LYDA.

Additional Missionary Appropriation.

WHEREAS, From the great increase of the work of God in the Charleston, Guyandotte and New River Districts, where the demand for the services of our Church are required along the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, the great Kanawha Valley, and the tributaries of the great Kanawha River, and as it is our duty to occupy these fields of labor, therefore

Resolved, That we request our Bishop and the representative of our Conference Missionary District to ask for an additional \$1,000, when the Missionary Committee meets in November, to the amount now appropriated to this Conference, so that these demands for our Church may be met.

SAMUEL STEELE,
A. J. LYDA.

Fraternal Delegate.

Resolved, That we hereby appoint Rev. D. H. K. Dix as our Fraternal Delegate to the Conference of the United Brethren Church, and Dr. Samuel Steele as Alternate.

J. A. FULLERTON,
WM. J. SHARPES.

Historical Society.

WHEREAS, Many of our interesting Historical Reminiscences are in danger of being forgotten, and documents destroyed by the tooth of time, and our aged ministers are passing away, documents of great value are carelessly held by some parties, therefore

Resolved, That we will form a Conference Historical Society, who shall collect facts, documents, etc., and select some point accessible to the brethren for reference.

SAMUEL STEELE,
A. J. LYDA.

Selecting Trustees.

Resolved, That we petition our Legislature so to amend the law relating to the election of Trustees of Church Property as to permit the Quarterly Conference to elect such Trustees.

J. A. FULLERTON,
D. H. K. DIX.

Loans.

Resolved, That one hundred dollars of our Conference Educational Funds be loaned Bro. H. C. Sanford, at the usual rate of interest, to assist him in the education of his daughters, at one of our institutions of learning.

JOSEPH LEE,
J. M. WARDEN,
A. J. LYDA,
J. A. FULLERTON.

Resolved, That one hundred dollars be loaned to Bro. J. Wesley Webb, on good security, from our Conference Educational Society, if there be funds in the treasury, to assist him in the education of his son, at Allegheny College.

C. CRAWFORD,
SAMUEL STEELE.

Resolved, That if there be any money, the Educational Society of this Conference loan Bro. W. B. Trevey one hundred dollars, to aid him in getting an education.

D. H. K. DIX,
J. A. DIXON.

Resolved, That Daniel W. Smith be granted a loan of fifty dollars from the Conference Educational Society, to enable him to complete his education.

T. B. HUGHES,
J. W. GRIFFITTS.

Resolved, That the Conference be requested to grant E. G. Harbert a loan of one hundred dollars from the Educational Fund, for the purpose of assisting him in completing his education, at the Ohio Wesleyan University.

A. S. LOVEALL,
J. C. REXROAD,
C. W. UPTON.

Complimentary.

Resolved, That we follow with our prayer and best wishes our beloved brethren, Renix Weese, N. B. Johnson, A. M. Bowlin and W. M. West, who have been transferred to Western Conferences, and wish them the same prosperity and success they have had among us.

W. J. SHARPES,
J. A. FULLERTON,
D. H. K. DIX.

WHEREAS, During the year, our Brother, the Rev. W. C. Snodgrass, an untiring worker in our Conferences, one of our ablest and most efficient preachers, and one who was much beloved by his brethren, has been transferred to the West,

Resolved, That while we greatly regret his absence, we rejoice in his prosperity, and will ever follow his career with the most affectionate regards and respectful interest, and should he at any time desire to return to the scenes of his early labors, we will very gladly welcome his presence in our midst again.

J. A. FULLERTON,
J. WESLEY WEBB.

Resolved, That we herewith tender our congratulations to our General Superintendent, Bishop Walden, for the grace, dignity and courtesy he has exhibited in his official relations, and in his personal intercourse as well, with the members of the West Virginia Conference, and that we will give him a cordial welcome should his episcopal duties commend him to us again, and that we earnestly pray the Great Head of the Church that wherever he goes he may go in the fullness of the gospel of peace.

W. R. WHITE,
J. W. WEBB.

WHEREAS, We have been royally entertained by the people of Buckhannon, who have not only opened their houses but their hearts, and have made us feel that we were at home among them, therefore

1. *Resolved*, That we hereby present our heartfelt thanks to the families who have entertained us so cordially and with such unbounded hospitality, and we pray earnestly for their eternal welfare.

2. *Resolved*, That the Conference present their thanks to Bro. Joseph Lee for the happy and quiet manner he has so pleasantly supplied us with happy homes.

3. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Conference be hereby tendered to the Pastor and Trustees of the various churches in Buckhannon for opening their churches for worship and the use of the several committees, and also to the several Railroad Companies.

4. *Resolved*, That we are much pleased with the gem of a Church in which our Conference Session is held, so creditable to the taste and liberality of the Methodists and their friends in Buckhannon.

SAMUEL STEELE,
D. H. K. DIX,
GEO. C. WILDING.

WHEREAS, Bro. W. E. Rippey has severed his connection with our Conference, and

WHEREAS, He has done efficient work for fourteen years, and

WHEREAS, He now leaves for another field of labor, therefore

Resolved, We tender him our best wishes and fervent prayers for his success.

E. H. ORWEN,
S. E. JONES,
A. J. LYDA.



Detailed Report of Preachers' Salaries.

Morgantown District.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Rental value of Pars. or amt. of rent p'd by Pastor or Church.....	Salary allowed, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Salary received, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Moving Expenses
1 Presiding Elder.....	D. H. K. Dix.....	100 00	750 00	750 00	.....
2 Arnettsville.....	John Conwell.....	70 00	333 00	265 00	10 00
3 Blacksville.....	J. C. Rexroad.....	60 00	320 00	280 00	10 00
4 Burton.....	Thos. E. Galway.....	24 00	350 00	144 00	11 00
5 Grafton.....	J. M. Warden.....	150 00	900 00	900 00	.....
6 Jollytown.....	J. T. Eichelberger.....	50 00	625 00	543 00	.....
7 Kingwood.....	A. J. Lyda.....	100 00	600 00	600 00	.....
8 Knottsville.....	R. Weese.....	35 00	500 00	500 00	.....
9 Masontown.....	J. E. Wasson.....	75 00	500 00	500 00	.....
10 Monongalia.....	T. H. Trainer.....	.....	400 00	385 00	.....
11 Morgantown Station	C. Crawford.....	.....	*600 00	.....	23 00
12 " Circuit...	W. J. Sharpes.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
13 Palatine.....	R. S. Welch.....	75 00	350 00	246 00	15 00
14 Smithton.....	Asby Stevens.....	.....	350 00	290 00	.....

*For eight months.

Wheeling District.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Rental value of Pars. or amt. of rent p'd by Pas- tor or Church...	Salary allowed, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Salary received, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Moving Expenses
15 Presiding Elder.....	G. E. Hite.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	W. C. Snodgrass....	.....	.....	.....	.....
16 Benwood.....	S. King.....	120 00	550 00	550 00	.....
17 Cameron.....	D. Cool.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
18 Dallas.....	J. B. Feather.....	100 00	600 00	500 00	.....
19 Greene.....	T. Richmond.....	34 00	386 00	342 00	12 00
20 Marshal.....	C. J. Trippett.....	81 00	500 00	500 00	.....
21 Moundsville Station..	W. E. Loomis.....	100 00	900 00	900 00	.....
22 " Circuit.....	C. S. Allemong.....	112 00	650 00	577 00	.....
23 N. Martinsville St'n	J. D. Keyser.....	60 00	400 00	400 00	6 00
24 " Circuit.....	M. Taylor.....	.....	300 00	140 00	.....
25 Pleasant Valley.....	R. E. Woodruff.....	60 00	400 00	400 00	14 00
26 Short Cr'k & Liberty	M. F. Dryden.....	25 00	650 00	650 00	50 00
27 Triadelphia.....	J. W. Webb.....	100 00	500 00	500 00	.....
Wheeling—					
28 " Chapline St....	Geo. E. Hite.....	200 00	775 00	775 00	.....
	O. W. Hutchinson }	.....	.....	.....	.....
29 " Fourth St.....	Jos. E. Smith.....	600 00	2500 00	2500 00	.....
30 " North St.....	L. H. Jordan.....	150 00	900 00	900 00	.....
31 " Thompson Ch.	S. E. Jones.....	200 00	900 00	900 00	28 00
32 " Wesley Chapel	G. R. Copeland.....	108 00	750 00	690 00	750 00
33 " Zane Street....	J. B. Fitzpatrick.....	250 00	750 00	750 00	600 00

Oakland District.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Rental value of Pars. or amt. of rent p'd by Pas- tor or Church...	Salary allowed, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Salary received, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Moving Expenses
34 Presiding Elder.....	C. H. Lakin.....	100 00	584 00	579 00	30 00
35 Albrightsville	D. A. Friend.....	30 00	425 00	350 00	15 00
36 Brandonville	D. Flanagan.....	30 00	500 00	500 00	6 00
37 Cranesville	H. E. Friend.....	.....	135 00	135 00	.....
38 Deer Park	A. M. Bowlin	60 00	450 00	371 00	13 00
39 Evansville.....	N. L. Baumgardner..	.....	450 00	462 00	.....
40 Grantsville.....	D. L. Ash.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
41 Newburg.....	G. Rogers.....	.....	450 00	440 00	.....
42 Oakland	M. W. Rider.....	150 00	625 00	563 00	.....
43 Pleasant Grove.....	J. W. Bedford.....	30 00	410 00	342 00	.....
44 Randolph Mission...	C. W. Cox.....	.....	260 00	125 00	8 00
45 Rowlesburg	B. Ison.....	150 00	.....	210 00	.....
46 Selbysp't & Johnst'n	F. G. W. Ford.....	36 00	450 00	420 00	14 00
47 St. George & Aurora	W. M. West.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Clarksburg District.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Rental value of Pars. or amt. of rent p'd by Pas- tor or Church...	Salary allowed, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Salary received, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Moving Expenses
48 Presiding Elder.....	L. L. Stewart.....	100 00	584 00	579 00	30 00
49 Bridgeport	G. W. Parriott.....	.....	400 00	290 00	.....
	A. J. Lyon.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
50 Cherry Camp.....	A. S. Loveall.....	50 00	400 00	354 00	.....
51 Clarksburg.....	E. H. Orwen.....	150 00	525 00	525 00	25 00
52 Fairmont	W. B. White.....	100 00	500 00	500 00	.....
53 Logansport	C. B. Meredith.....	40 00	400 00	400 00	.....
54 Lumberport	W. D. Carrico.....	50 00	400 00	336 00	14 00
55 Mannington.....	W. E. Rippey.....	100 00	550 00	476 00	.....
56 Marion.....	G. Martin.....	30 00	470 00	390 00	.....
57 Pine Grove.....	J. A. Williams.....	.....	300 00	100 00	.....
58 Pruntytown and F...	W. W. Kelley.....	100 00	500 00	414 00	.....
59 Smithton	C. J. Price.....	40 00	410 00	287 00	.....
60 West Milford.....	H. J. Boatman.....	75 00	550 00	550 00	35 00
61 Wilsonburg.....	L. W. Roberts.....	36 00	400 00	400 00	8 00
62 Worthington.....	B. F. Rogers.....	42 00	230 00	154 00	.....

Buckhannon District.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Rental value of Pars. or amt of rent p'd by Pas- tor or Church...	Salary allowed, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Salary received, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Moving Expenses
63 Presiding Elder.....	W. G. Riheldaffer.....	150 00	800 00	800 00	25 00
64 Bealington.....	C. Poling.....	.....	400 00	400 00	.....
65 Buckhannon Station	J. Lee.....	80 00	575 00	575 00	.....
66 " Circuit	D. M. Heaston.....	42 00	500 00	438 00	.....
67 Beverly.....	E. C. Woodruff.....	75 00	400 00	250 00	.....
68 Canaan.....	S. D. Tamblyn.....	.....	240 00	191 00	2 00
69 Freemansburg.....	C. S. Harrison.....	.....	.....	150 00	.....
70 Frenchton.....	J. S. Boreman.....	40 00	625 00	545 00	.....
71 Glenville.....	C. W. Upton.....	50 00	550 00	503 00	.....
72 Helvetia.....	R. L. Brooks.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
73 Mingo.....	Supplied.....	.....	20 00	20 00	.....
74 Philippi.....	A. Mick.....	50 00	510 00	504 00	.....
75 South Buckhannon..	W. E. Lovett.....	50 00	550 00	536 00	.....
76 Sutton.....	C. Warman.....	50 00	600 00	501 00	.....
77 Webster.....	J. Adamson.....	.....	200 00	100 00	.....
78 Weston.....	D. S. Hammond.....	.....	620 00	620 00	.....

Parkersburg District.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Rental value of Pars. or amt of rent p'd by Pas- tor or Church...	Salary allowed, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Salary received, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Moving Expenses
79 Presiding Elder.....	Geo. C. Wilding.....	200 00	1100 00	1085 00	.....
80 Belleville.....	A. T. Morriston.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
81 Centerville.....	J. H. Hess.....	25 00	500 00	500 00	.....
82 Elizabeth.....	G. W. Grimes.....	80 00	600 00	550 00	.....
83 Ellenboro.....	Thos. Cotton.....	50 00	550 00	459 00	25 00
84 Harrisville.....	U. Pribble.....	50 00	600 00	600 00	.....
85 Middlebourne.....	W. H. Young.....	35 00	600 00	477 31	6 00
86 Parkersburg Station	T. B. Hughes.....	400 00	1200 00	1200 00	.....
87 " Circuit	J. F. Chenoweth.....	80 00	700 00	700 00	.....
88 " Mission	J. L. Clark.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
89 Petroleum.....	D. F. Carder.....	24 00	350 00	220 00	.....
90 Ravenswood.....	J. W. Lambert.....	100 00	700 00	600 00	.....
91 Sistersville.....	N. B. Johnson.....	50 00	580 00	525 00	.....
92 Shiloh.....	W. H. Cooper.....	18 00	400 00	388 00	15 00
93 Valley Mills.....	R. M. Wallace.....	50 00	450 00	256 00	.....
94 Volcano.....	L. D. King.....	60 00	500 00	500 00	.....
95 West Union.....	R. B. Ward.....	20 00	400 00	346 00	3 00
96 Williamstown.....	W. Wirt King.....	.....	350 00	350 00	8 00

Charleston District.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Rental value of Par. or amt of rent paid by Pas- tor or Church...	Salary allowed, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses...	Salary received, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses...	Moving Expenses
97 Presiding Elder.....	H. C. Sanford.....	120 00	1050 00	940 00	.....
98 Calhoun	D. R. Poling.....	.....	225 00	60 00	.....
99 Charleston Station	J. A. Fullerton.....	200 00	900 00	900 00	.....
100 " Circuit	C. R. Shackelford.....	36 00	400 00	332 00	.....
101 Clifton and Mason	J. Engle.....	60 00	600 00	525 00	17 00
102 East Charleston.....	G. W. Matheny.....	.....	350 00	184 00	.....
103 Hartford & N. Hav.	C. B. Graham.....	84 00	466 00	400 00	.....
104 Letart and Leon....	S. C. Loomis.....	48 00	437 00	295 00	15 00
105 Malden.....	R. H. Hughes.....	120 00	500 00	335 00	.....
106 Mill Creek.....	J. M. Grose.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
107 Point Pleasant.....	W. A. Chevront.....	100 00	300 00	202 00	5 00
108 Raymond City.....	J. L. Moses.....	.....	250 00	60 00	.....
109 Ripley.....	A. D. Perry.....	.....	350 00	212 00	.....
110 Sandyville	G. W. Kepler.....	36 00	284 00	208 00	50 00
111 Spencer	T. P. Ryan.....	.....	500 00	400 00	.....
112 Smithville	W. B. Trevey.....	30 00	320 00	291 00	50 00
113 Walton	E. G. Harbert.....	.....	300 00	290 00	.....

Guyandotte District.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Rental value of Par. or amt of rent paid by Pas- tor or Church...	Salary allowed, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses...	Salary received, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses...	Moving Expenses
114 Presiding Elder.....	S. B. D. Prickitt.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
115 Cassville	G. W. Marston.....	.....	125 00	110 00	.....
116 Ceredo.....	N. M. Somerville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
117 Coal River.....	J. T. Carroll.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
118 East Hamlin.....	A. Moore.....	.....	150 00	41 00	.....
119 Fairfield.....	J. A. Dixon.....	60 00	800 00	400 00	.....
120 Guyandotte	H. H. Miles.....	120 00	500 00	500 00	.....
121 Hamlin	D. Davies.....	30 00	270 00	109 00	.....
	W. H. Mannel.....	.....	.....	800 00	.....
122 Huntington.....	S. Steele.....	150 00	800 00	.....	.....
123 Laurel.....	Supplied.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
124 Milton.....	O. J. Moore.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
125 Monticello	J. A. Martin.....	12 00	260 00	160 00	.....
126 St. Albans.....	D. Upton.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
127 Wayne.....	N. C. Beckley.....	50 00	400 00	144 00	.....
128 Winf'd & Mt. Un'n	B. Darlington.....	50 00	400 00	269 00	.....

New River District.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Rental value of Pars. or an't of rent p'd by Pas- tor or Church...	Salary allowed, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Salary received, exclusive of rent and mov- ing expenses....	Moving Expenses
129 Presiding Elder.....	J. W. Griffiths.....	40 00	900 00	791 00	40 00
130 Boon	J. B. Tope.....	.....	300 00	200 00	10 00
131 Clay	W. King.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
132 Elk River.....	W. Hunter.....	10 00	325 00	290 00	.....
133 Fayette	W. H. Mannel..... } John Kincaid..... }	.....	200 00	75 00	.....
134 Flat Top.....	Thos. Parris.....	.....	260 00	142 00	.....
135 Hinchman's.....	L. D. Bryan.....	.....	300 00	249 00	11 00
136 Logan	P. C. Mays.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
137 Nicholas.....	G. H. Williams.....	25 00	325 00	463 00	.....
138 Mercer	Supplied .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
139 Mountain Cove	B. D. Mahone	40 00	450 00	350 00	.....
140 Pleasant Retreat...	W. R. Hennan.....	25 00	400 00	317 00	.....
141 Quinnimont&Hint'n	J. L. Porterfield.....	.....	300 00	200 00	.....
142 Raleigh.....	F. H. J. King.....	30 00	600 00	371 00	.....
143 Wyoming	A. A. Nichols.....	25 00	340 00	100 00	33 00



❖Conference Biography❖

NAMES.	Year Born.....	Where Born.	Age Converted.....	Former Occupation.	Year entered itin'r'y		First Conference Joined.	When ord' in'd		Mode of Entering West Va. Conference.	No. of Years.				Present Conference Relation.		
					On Trial.....	Full Connection.....		Year entered West Va. Conference.....	Deacon.....		Elder.....	Located.....	Supernumerary.....	Presiding Elder.....		Effective.....	Delegate to the General Conf'ce.....
Allemon, C. S.....	1844	Virginia.....	19	Physician.....	1871	1873	West Va.....	1871	1873	1875	On Trial.....	13	.....	.....	.....	Effective	
Ash, D. L.....	1855	".....	19	Farmer.....	1878	1880	".....	1878	1880	.....	".....	6	.....	.....	.....	"	
Baumgardner, N. L.....	1842	Maryland.....	19	Farmer.....	1870	1872	".....	1870	1872	1874	".....	14	.....	.....	.....	"	
Bedford, J. W.....	1850	Penn.....	19	Laborer.....	1875	1877	".....	1875	1877	1878	".....	9	.....	.....	.....	"	
Beckley, N. C.....	1850	New York.....	19	Farmer.....	1870	1872	".....	1870	1872	1874	".....	12	.....	.....	.....	"	
Boatman, H. J.....	1843	Indiana.....	25	Teacher.....	1872	1874	".....	1872	1874	1876	".....	12	.....	.....	.....	"	
Bolton, J. W. W.....	1834	Virginia.....	19	".....	1857	1859	".....	1857	1859	1861	".....	4	3	8	22	1	Supernumerary
Brooks, R.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brooks, R. L.....	1810	Virginia.....	22	Carpenter.....	1846	1848	Ohio.....	1848	.....	1848	By Division.....	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	Superannuated
Boreman, J. S.....	1858	".....	20	Farmer.....	1881	1883	West Va.....	1881	1883	.....	On Trial.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	Effective
Carrico, W. D.....	1822	".....	14	Farmer.....	1866	1873	".....	1866	1863	1873	".....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
Carroll, J. T.....	1827	".....	16	".....	1853	1855	".....	1853	1855	1873	".....	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	Supernumerary
Chenoweth, J. F.....	1849	".....	18	".....	1871	1873	".....	1871	1873	1875	".....	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
Cheuvront, W. A.....	1850	".....	15	".....	1874	1876	".....	1874	1876	1877	".....	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
Chidester, T. W.....	1848	".....	20	".....	1872	1874	".....	1872	1874	1876	".....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	Effective
Clark, J. L.....	1814	Maryland.....	6	Merchant.....	1841	1843	Pittsburgh.....	1848	1843	1845	Assisted in its organization.....	12	43	.....	.....	.....	"
Cool, D.....	1837	Virginia.....	15	Farmer.....	1858	1860	West Va.....	1858	1860	1862	On Trial.....	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
Copeland, G. R.....	1817	Ohio.....	16	".....	1877	1879	".....	1877	1874	.....	".....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
Cotton, T.....	1829	England.....	21	Merchant.....	1872	1874	Mississippi.....	1876	1872	1874	On Credentials.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
Cottrill, F.....	1860	Virginia.....	16	Farmer.....	1881	1883	West Va.....	1881	1883	.....	On Trial.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
Conner, C.....	1819	Ohio.....	15	Carpenter.....	1850	1852	".....	1850	1850	1852	".....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	Superannuated
Crosfield, G.....	1821	England.....	18	Merchant.....	1849	1852	Niagara.....	1872	1849	1852	Transfer.....	2	3	29	1	.....	"
Crawford, C.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Curtis, A. L.....	1854	Virginia.....	12	Farmer.....	1879	.....	West Va.....	1879	.....	.....	On Trial.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	Superannuated
Darlington, B.....	1819	".....	16	Mechanic.....	1859	1861	".....	1859	1858	1861	".....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	Effective
Davis, J. T.....	1837	Penn.....	10	Teacher.....	1866	1868	".....	1866	1868	1875	".....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
Dix, D. H. K.....	1828	Virginia.....	16	Farmer.....	1850	1852	".....	1850	1852	1854	".....	2	.....	7	32	1	"
Dixon, A.....	1805	".....	8	".....	1832	1834	Ohio.....	1848	1834	1836	Assisted in its organization.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	Superannuated
Dolliver, J. J.....	1810	New York.....	26	Merchant.....	1843	1845	".....	1848	1845	1847	".....	1	3	2	38	.....	"
Dryden, M. F.....	1856	Maryland.....	21	Teacher.....	1881	1883	West Va.....	1881	1883	.....	On Trial.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	Effective
Engle, J.....	1837	Penn.....	10	Bookkeeper.....	1876	1878	".....	1876	1878	1880	".....	9					"
Feather, J. B.....	1833	Virginia.....	17	Farmer.....	1854	1856	".....	1854	1856	1858	".....	1					"

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NAMES.	Year Born.	Where Born.	Age Converted.	Former Occupation.	Year entered itin'r'y		First Conference Joined.	When ordain'd		Mode of Entering West Va. Conference.	No. of Years.				Present Conference Relation.	
					On Trial.	Full Connection.		Year entered West Va. Conference.	Deacon.		Elder.	Located.	Superannuated.	Presiding Elder.		Delegate to the General Confice
Ford, F. G. W.	1833	Virginia	20	Farmer	1874	1876	West Va.	1874	1871	1877	On Trial				13	Effective
Fullerton, J. A.	1850	Ireland	17		1872	1874	Central Pa.	1872	1872	1875	Transfer				13	"
Graham, C. B.	1850	Virginia	19	Merchant	1879		West Va.	1879			On Trial				5	"
Grimes, G. W.	1854	Ohio	22	Teacher	1881	1883	"	1881	1883		"				3	"
Grose, J. M.	1837	Virginia	17	Farmer	1881	1883	"	1881	1883		"				3	"
Hammond, D. S.	1850		23	"	1876	1878	"	1876	1878	1880	"				3	"
Heaston, D. M.	1846	Ohio	16	"	1877	1878	"	1877	1878	1880	"				2	"
Hess, J. H.	1851	Maryland	16	Blacksmith	1875	1877	"	1875	1877	1878	"				7	"
Hess, J. W.	1853	Virginia	21	Farmer	1869	1871	"	1869	1871	1873	"				10	"
Hitchens, S.	1840	England	12		1860	1862	"	1860	1862	1864	"	1			15	Supernumerary
Hite, G. E.	1851	Virginia	19	Teacher	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	"	9			15	"
Hughes, T. B.	1836	"	16	Farmer	1857	1859	"	1857	1859	1861	"				13	Effective
Hughes, R. H.	1846	"	18	"	1870	1873	"	1870	1873	1875	"				4 27	1
Hunter, W. M.	1858	"	16	"	1881	1883	"	1881	1883		"				13	"
Jones, S. E.	1846	England	26	Teacher	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	"				3	"
Jordan, L. H.	1836	New York	19	"	1868	1870	"	1868	1870	1872	"				13	"
Kelley, W. W.	1838	Virginia	14	"	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1870	"				16	"
King, F. H. J.	1834	"	17	Farmer	1857	1859	"	1866	1868	1870	"	1			4 18	"
Lakin, C. H.	1838	Ohio	20	"	1865	1867	"	1857	1859	1861	"				26	1
Lambert, J. W.	1850	Virginia	15	Teacher	1877	1878	"	1865	1867	1869	"				19	"
Laughlin, J. S.	1845	Penn	16	"	1872	1874	"	1877	1878	1880	"				8	"
Lee, Joseph.	1847	Ireland	15	Merchant	1873	1875	"	1872	1874	1877	"				4	8
Loomis, S. C.	1840	Indiana	17	Teacher	1872	1874	Ohio.	1872	1873	1876	"				12	"
Lovett, W. E.	1835	Maryland	19	Licut. Vol. Cav	1872	1874	West Va.	1872	1874	1878	By certificate of location	1	1		10	"
Loveall, A. S.	1850	Virginia	18	Teacher	1879		"	1872	1873	1876	On Trial.				13	"
Lynch, F. N.	1860	"	20	"	1879		"	1879			"				5	"
Mahone, B. D.	1849	"	17	Farmer	1881	1883	"	1881	1883		"				3	"
Martin, J. A.	1851	"	9	Teacher	1876	1878	"	1876	1876	1880	"				8	"
Martin, G.	1815	"	16	Farmer	1881	1883	"	1881	1883		"				3	"
Matheny, G. W.	1838	"	15	"	1837	1839	Pittsburgh.	1818	1839	1841	When organized by division.				9 15	47
Meredith, C. B.	1850	"	23	Mechanic	1865	1867	West Va.	1865	1867	1869	On Trial.				13	"
McGinnis, D. A.	1822	"	17	Teacher	1881	1883	"	1881	1883		"				3	"
			17	Teacher	1848	1848	Ohio.	1848	1848	1850	When organized by division.				7	Superannuated

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NAMES.	Year Born.	Where Born.	Age Converted.	Former Occupation.	Year entered in Ministry		First Conference Joined.	When ordained		Mode of Entering West Va. Conference.	No. of Years.				Present Conference Relation.
					On Trial.	Full Connection.		Deacon.	Elder.		Located.	Supernumerary.	Presiding Elder.	Effective.		Delegate to the General Conf'ce
Mick, A.	1849	Virginia	14	Farmer.	1872	1875	West Va.	1872	1875	1877	On Trial.	12	.....	.....	Effective
Miles, H. H.	1844	Ohio	18	Marble Cutter.	1874	1877	Sciota.	1881	.....	1877	On Orders.	9	.....	.....	"
Morrison, A. T.	1813	Virginia	18	Farmer.	1871	1873	West Va.	1871	1873	1875	On Trial.	13	.....	.....	"
Moore, O. J.	1860	"	19	Teacher.	1880	1882	"	1880	1882	.....	"	4	.....	.....	"
Moore, A.	1861	Ohio	18	Farmer.	1881	1883	"	1881	1883	.....	"	3	.....	.....	"
Northcraft, R.	1818	Maryland	14	.....	1853	1855	"	1853	1853	1857	"	7	24	.....	Superannuated
Perry, A. D.	1848	Virginia	18	Carpenter.	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1879	"	13	.....	.....	Effective
Pickitt, S. B. D.	1840	Georgia	17	Clerk	1867	1869	"	1867	1869	1871	"	3	17	.....	"
Pribble, U.	1833	Virginia	20	Teacher.	1858	1860	"	1858	1860	1862	"	14	.....	.....	"
Price, C. J.	1856	"	12	.....	1877	1878	"	1877	1878	1880	"	7	.....	.....	"
Rexroad, J. C.	1843	"	23	Farmer	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	"	1	11	.....	"
Rider, M. W.	1842	"	9	.....	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1870	"	17	.....	.....	"
Rihelddaffer, W. G.	1846	"	17	Mechanic.	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	"	1	11	.....	"
Rogers, G.	1842	"	10	Farmer.	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1871	"	17	.....	.....	"
Ryan, T. P.	1833	"	32	.....	1873	1875	"	1873	1875	1877	"	10	.....	.....	"
Roberts, L. W.	1852	"	15	Teacher.	1879	1881	"	1879	1881	1876	By Credentials.	5	.....	.....	"
Rogers, B. F.	1829	"	19	Farmer.	1859	1861	"	1859	1861	1863	On Trial.	14	.....	.....	"
Scott, H.	1842	"	23	"	1876	1877	"	1876	1876	1879	"	1	7	.....	Superannuated
Shaw, W. H.	1836	"	14	"	1836	1858	"	1856	1858	1860	"	3	5	17	"
Shackelford, C. R.	1847	Mississippi	19	"	1876	1877	"	1876	1877	1879	"	9	.....	.....	Effective
Sharpes, W. J.	1836	Virginia	17	Teacher	1869	1871	"	1869	1871	1873	"	15	.....	.....	"
Shodgrass, J. F.	1828	"	26	Farmer.	1871	1873	"	1871	1866	1870	"	1	.....	.....	Supernumerary
Stevens, A.	1819	"	16	Teacher	1848	1850	"	1848	1850	1852	"	22	14	.....	Effective
Stewart, L. L.	1845	Penn	16	Farmer.	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	"	2	14	.....	"
Smith, J. E.	1830	Maryland	16	Salesman	1851	1859	Phil'a	1883	1869	1861	By Transfer.	37	.....	.....	"
Somerville, N. M.	1860	Virginia	16	Farmer.	1881	1883	West Va.	1881	1883	.....	On Trial.	3	.....	.....	"
Trainer, T. H.	1820	"	20	Mechanic	1853	1857	"	1853	1855	1857	"	4	31	.....	"
Trevey, Wm. B.	1855	"	15	Teacher	1879	1883	"	1879	1880	.....	"	5	.....	.....	"
Trippett, C. J.	1855	"	24	Farmer	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	"	14	.....	.....	"
Tope, J. B.	1842	Ohio	30	Saddler	1877	1879	Kentucky	1882	1879	1881	Transfer.	7	.....	.....	"
Upton, C. W.	1843	Virginia	18	Merchant	1871	1879	West Va.	1877	1870	1879	On Trial.	8	.....	.....	"
Upton, D.	1854	"	24	Teacher	1883	1882	"	1880	1882	.....	"	4	.....	.....	"

Conference Biography.—CONTINUED.

NAMES.	Year Born.....	Where Born.	Age Converted.....	Former Occupation.	Year entered itin'r'y		First Conference Joined.	When ord'a'n'd		Mode of Entering West Va. Conference.	No. of Years.				Present Conference Relation.
					On Trial.....	Full Connection.		Year entered West Va. Conference.....	Deacon.....		Elder.....	Located.....	Superannuated.....	Effective.....		Delegate to the General Conf'ce
Wallace, R. M.....	1817	Penn.....	16	Carpenter.....	1854.....	.....	West Va.....	1854.....	.....	On Trial.....	2.....	33.....	.....	Effective	
Warman, C.....	1844	Virginia.....	7	Teacher.....	1875.....	1877.....	".....	1875.....	1874.....	1878.....	".....	10.....	.....	"	
Warden, J. M.....	1833	".....	18	Farmer.....	1860.....	1863.....	".....	1860.....	1863.....	1865.....	".....	24.....	.....	"	
Welch, R. S.....	1821	".....	19	Teacher.....	1851.....	1855.....	M. P. Ch. W. Va.....	1855.....	1857.....	1859.....	Rec'd from M. P. Church.....	30.....	.....	"	
Webb, J. W.....	1826	".....	15	".....	1854.....	1856.....	West Va.....	1854.....	1856.....	1858.....	On Trial.....	30.....	1.....	"	
West, J. B.....	1799	".....	21	".....	1822.....	1824.....	Baltimore.....	1822.....	1824.....	1826.....	Tr. when W. Va. was org'd.....	1.....	.....	Superannuated	
White, W. R.....	1820	Dist. Col'a.....	18	Teacher.....	1844.....	1846.....	".....	1844.....	1846.....	1848.....	By Transfer.....	12.....	.....	Effective	
Wilding, G. C.....	1846	South Wales.....	19	Bookkeeper.....	1873.....	1875.....	West Va.....	1873.....	1875.....	1877.....	On Trial.....	11.....	.....	"	
Williams, G. H.....	1841	Virginia.....	25	Farmer.....	1874.....	1876.....	".....	1874.....	1876.....	1877.....	".....	11.....	.....	"	
Williams, J. A.....	1816	".....	21	".....	1848.....	1852.....	".....	1848.....	1844.....	1848.....	".....	15.....	.....	"	
Woodruff, E. C.....	1814	Penn.....	9	Teacher.....	1869.....	1871.....	".....	1859.....	1871.....	1876.....	".....	15.....	.....	Effective	



Roll of General Conference Delegates.

1852.

DELEGATES.

S. G. J. Worthington and Moses Tichenel.

RESERVES.

Hezikiah Z. Adams.

1856.

DELEGATES.

Gideon Martin, James Drummond, and Gordon Battelle.

RESERVES.

William Lynch and William Hunter.

1860.

DELEGATES.

Gordon Battelle, James Drummond, and William Hunter.

RESERVES.

John L. Irwin and Gideon Martin.

1864.

DELEGATES.

John W. Reger, James Drummond, and James L. Clark.

RESERVES.

T. H. Monroe and Alexander Martin.

1868.

DELEGATES.

A. J. Lyda, Gideon Martin, and Alexander Martin.

RESERVES.

J. L. Irwin and J. B. Blakeney.

1872.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.

Alexander Martin, J. Wesley Webb, S. Steele, and Gideon Martin.

RESERVES.

B. Ison and D. H. K. Dix.

LAY DELEGATES.

Hon. C. D. Hubbard and Hon. W. T. Willey.

RESERVES.

Dr. T. H. Logan and Nathan Goff, Sr.

1876.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.

J. W. W. Bolton, J. M. Powell, and D. H. K. Dix.

RESERVES.

A. Hall and F. Ball.

LAY DELEGATES.

G. W. Atkinson and Hon. B. F. Martin.

RESERVES.

John J. Brown and Hon. C. F. Scott.

1880.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.

Thomas B. Hughes, John E. Thompson, and James L. Clark.

RESERVES.

Winfield C. Snodgrass and Samuel E. Steele.

LAY DELEGATES.

Hon. W. T. Willey and Hon. H. C. McWhorter.

RESERVES.

Dr. T. H. Logan and Hon. C. F. Scott.

1884.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.

Benjamin Ison, F. H. J. King and George C. Wilding.

RESERVES.

E. W. Ryan and William R. White.

LAY DELEGATES.

A. L. Wade and Charles F. Scott.

RESERVES.

J. C. McGrew and Frank Woods.

Superannuated and Supernumerary Preachers' Directory.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

NAMES.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CONNECTED WITH.
S. R. Dawson.....	Ellenboro	Ritchie.....	W. Va.	Ellenboro.
R. Laughlin.....	Fowlers	Brook	"	"
R. L. Woodyard	Parkersburg...	Wood	"	Valley Mills.
Samuel Hitchens	Morgantown...	Monongalia	"	Morgantown.
E. D. W. King.....	Jackson C. H..	Jackson	"	Ripley.
M. McNeel.....	Smithville.....	Ritchie.....	"	Smithville.
J. W. W. Bolton	Palatine	Marion.....	"	Palatine.
J. W. Hess.....	Smithville	Ritchie.....	"	Smithville.
J. F. Snodgrass.....	Yeater's Mills.	Doddridge..	"	"
N. F. Lynch.....	Delaware.....	Delaware...	Ohio ..	"
N. M. Somerville.....	West Milford...	Harrison ..	W. Va.	West Milford.
J. A. Williams.....	"	"	"	"
R. M. Wallace.....	Clarksburg	"	"	Clarksburg.
A. T. Morriston	Beech Hill	Mason	"	Monticello.
J. T. Carroll.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha...	"	Coal River.

SUPERANNUATES.

NAMES.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CONNECTED WITH.
D. A. McGinnis	Mole Hill.....	Ritchie.....	W. Va.	Centerville.
J. Birkett.....	Holton	"	Kansas	Holton.
A. Dixon.....	Mountain Cove	Fayette	W. Va.	Mountain Cove.
R. L. Brooks	Selbyville	Upshur	"	Canaan.
G. Jones.....	Wellsburg	Brook.....	"	Wellsburg.
D. S. Benedum.....	Cherry Camp.	Harrison ..	"	Cherry Camp.
J. B. West.....	Sistersville	Tyler	"	Sistersville.
R. Northcraft.....	Ellenboro.....	Ritchie.....	"	Ellenboro.
J. B. Pinchen.....	West Milford...	Harrison ..	"	West Milford.
J. W. Eckess.....	Middletown....	Wilson	Kansas	Middletown.
J. W. Reger	Buckhannon...	Upshur	W. Va.	Buckhannon.
C. Conner.....	Moundsville ..	Marshall ..	"	Moundsville.
W. H. Shaw	Point Pleasant	Mason	"	Point Pleasant.
J. S. Laughlin.....	Deer Park.....	Garrett.....	Md.....	Deer Park.
Robert Brooks.....	St. Albans.....	Kanawha...	W. Va.	St. Albans.
J. J. Dolliver.....	Ft. Dodge.....	Webster ..	Iowa ..	Fort Dodge.
Benj. Hagar.....	Charleston	Kanawha...	W. Va.	Charleston.
V. Sanford.....	"	"	"	"
G. Crosfield	Berkley Springs	Morgan.....	"	Berkley Springs.
H. Scott.....	Malden	Kanawha...	"	Malden.
A. L. Curtis.....	Basnet	Marion.....	"	Marion.
L. E. Leslie.....	Cotton Hill....	Fayette	"	Fayette.
William Wriston	Raleigh C. H..	Raleigh	"	Raleigh.

Sessions of the West Virginia Annual Conference.

No.	YEAR.	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1	1848	July 4.....	Wheeling	Hamline	Charles Cook
2	1849	October 5..	Clarksburg.....	Waugh	Alex. Martin
3	1850	June 5.....	Parkersburg	Janes	Alex. Martin
4	1851	June 4.....	Charleston	Morris	Alex. Martin
5	1852	June 10....	Morgantown.....	*Simpson	Alex. Martin
6	1853	June 8.....	Weston	Baker	Alex. Martin
7	1854	May 30.....	Fairmont	Scott	Alex. Martin
8	1855	May 31.....	Wheeling	Morris	Alex. Martin
9	1856	June 12....	Buckhannon	Ames	S. R. Dawson
10	1857	April 16....	Moundsville.....	Simpson	S. R. Dawson
11	1858	April 15....	Charleston.....	Ames	S. R. Dawson
12	1859	April 20....	Parkersburg	Morris	S. R. Dawson
13	1860	March 14....	Morgantown	Scott	S. R. Dawson
14	1861	March 13....	Wheeling	Baker	Samuel Steele
15	1862	March 12....	Parkersburg	Scott	Samuel Steele
16	1863	March 18....	Fairmont	Morris	Alex. Martin
17	1864	March 16....	Parkersburg	Morris	Alex. Martin
18	1865	March 8....	Wheeling	Janes	Alex. Martin
19	1866	March 21....	Morgantown.....	Clark	Alex. Martin
20	1867	March 14....	Catlettsburgh, Ky..	Thomson	Alex. Martin
21	1868	March 11....	Moundsville.....	Kingsley	Samuel Steele
22	1869	March 11....	Clarksburg.....	Ames	Alex. Martin
23	1870	March 10....	Charleston.....	Thomson	J. L. Clark
24	1871	March 9.....	Parkersburg	Clark	J. L. Clark
25	1872	March 6.....	Wheeling	Simpson	J. L. Clark
26	1873	March 5.....	Guyandotte	Andrews	J. L. Clark
27	1874	March 11....	Fairmont	Scott	J. L. Clark
28	1875	March 3.....	Point Pleasant.....	Bowman	J. L. Clark
29	1876	March 15....	Wheeling	Harris	J. C. Clark
30	1877	March 11....	Grafton.....	Ames	J. C. Clark
31	1877	October 4....	Charleston	Scott	J. C. Clark
32	1878	October 10..	Parkersburg	Harris	Geo. C. Wilding
33	1879	October 1....	Morgantown	Simpson	Geo. C. Wilding
34	1880	October 14..	Huntington	Peck	Geo. C. Wilding
35	1881	October 5....	Moundsville.....	Foster	Geo. C. Wilding
36	1882	October 4....	Clarksburg.....	Andrews	Geo. C. Wilding
37	1883	October 10..	Wheeling	Harris	Geo. C. Wilding
38	1884	October 1....	Buckhannon.....	Walden	Geo. C. Wilding

*This was the first Conference held by Bishop Simpson.

Widows who are Conference Claimants.

No.	NAMES.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
1	S. Burns.....	Troy	Miami ..	Ohio
2	Marie L. Batelle, (36 Bromfield St.)	Boston	Suffolk ..	*Mass.
3	Ellen Irwin.....	Fairmont	Marian ..	West Virginia
4	Sarah F. Blundon.....	Charleston	Kanawha ..	"
5	Eliza J. Richmond.....	Dallas	Marshall..	"
6	Julia C. Hartley.....	New Martinsville..	"	"
7	Selina Monroe.....	Point Pleasant....	Mason	"
8	S. E. A. Sidebottom.....	Barboursville	Cabell	"
9	Laura Hetherly.....	Round Bottom....	Wayne....	"
10	Sidney Weaver.....	Uplands.....	Delaware ..	Penn.
11	Jane Parriott.....	Cameron	Marshall..	West Virginia
12	Elonah Young.....	French Creek.....	Upshur ...	"

Roll of the Honored Dead of the West Virginia Conference.

"They rest from their Labors, and their Works do follow them."

No.	NAME.	PLACE OF DEATH.	DATE OF DEATH.	Conference Relation at Time of Death.	Age	Years Effective.
1	George Deemer.....	Wayne County, West Va.....	October 9, 1851.....	Effective.....	28	2
2	Abraham Laughridge.....	Granville, " ".....	April 22, 1854.....	On Trial.....	32	1
3	Silas Burns.....	South Wheeling, " ".....	December 25, 1854.....	Effective.....	26	3
4	William Summers.....	Martin's Ferry, Ohio.....	March 19, 1855.....	Supernumerary.....	58	20
5	Eli McLaughlin.....	Ripley, West Va.....	April 3, 1855.....	On Trial.....	30	2
6	Alpheus Robe.....	Clinton Furnace, West Va.....	December 4, 1855.....	Effective.....	33	2
7	Jesse Freeland.....	Kingwood, " ".....	June 6, 1856.....	Superannuated.....	40	.....
8	James A. Young.....	Pruntytown, " ".....	 1857.....	On Trial.....	.....	1
9	Gordon Battelle.....	Washington, D. C.....	August 7, 1862.....	Effective.....	47	17
10	Jacob S. Patterson.....	Knightstown, Indiana.....	July 10, 1864.....	Superannuated.....	45	21
11	Paul Vandervort.....	Jollytown, Pennsylvania.....	August 26, 1865.....	Effective.....	37	10
12	William R. Carroll.....	Near Kingwood, West Va.....	July 20, 1867.....	Superannuated.....	38	4
13	W. D. Warman.....	Ravenswood, " ".....	 1868.....	Effective.....	.....	7
14	Philip Green.....	Near Lumberport, " ".....	January 24, 1870.....	Superannuated.....	80	44
15	Allen B. Smith.....	Buffalo, " ".....	May 19, 1870.....	Effective.....	43	6
16	John L. Irwin.....	Fairmont, " ".....	April 26, 1871.....	Effective.....	59	40
17	George Monroe.....	Point Pleasant, " ".....	August 8, 1872.....	Superannuated.....	69	25
18	Edgar B. Blundon.....	Burning Springs, " ".....	March 6, 1873.....	Effective.....	37	7
19	George W. Richmond.....	Wheeling, " ".....	March 16, 1874.....	Effective.....	41	17
20	Thomas M. Hartley.....	West Liberty, " ".....	May 3, 1875.....	Effective.....	33	11
21	Michael Dowler.....	Marshal County, " ".....	November 29, 1875.....	Supernumerary.....	70	6
22	Moses Tichenel.....	Rosemond, Illinois.....	May 23, 1876.....	Superannuated.....	70	38
23	Wilson L. Hindman.....	Moundsville, West Va.....	March 17, 1877.....	Effective.....	56	28
24	J. G. Blair.....	Fairmont, " ".....	December 23, 1878.....	Effective.....	63	36
25	Francis M. Hughes.....	Cameron, " ".....	September 13, 1879.....	Effective.....	32	12
26	J. C. Sidebottom.....	Barboursville, " ".....	 1881.....	Supernumerary.....	44	7
27	Francis Guthrie.....	Gallipolis, Ohio.....	July 7, 1881.....	Superannuated.....	80	45
28	S. D. Jones.....	Williamstown, West Va.....	March 1, 1881.....	Superannuated.....	75	.....
29	L. D. Heatherly.....	Round Bottom, Wayne Co., W. Va.....	December 13, 1882.....	Superannuated.....	26	5
30	J. G. Weaver.....	Upland, Pennsylvania.....	May 19, 1883.....	Superannuated.....	48	20
31	G. W. Parriott.....	Near Cameron, West Va.....	November 8, 1883.....	Effective.....	49	10
32	W. H. Young.....	Middlebourne, " ".....	May, 1884.....	Effective.....	38	14

Progressive Growth of the West Virginia Conference.

YEARS.	No. of Members of the Conference and on trial.....	No. of Church Members and Probationers.....	No. of Churches.....	Value of Churches	Number of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Number of Sunday Schools.....	Number of Officers and Teachers.....	Number of Scholars.	Missionary Collections.....	For Conference Claimants.	For Church Extension.....	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Ministerial Support.....	Average Salary Paid Preachers.
2nd Session, October, 1849.....	53	14278	.....	.....	.....	.....	143	1151	5064	\$ 663	\$ 92	.....	.....	\$ 5030	\$ 110
3rd " June, 1850.....	57	14201	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	811	96	.....	.....	5145	138
4th " June, 1851.....	64	15191	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1011	134	.....	.....	9690	167
5th " June, 1852.....	72	16780	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1963	129	.....	.....	13787	181
6th " June, 1853.....	81	18325	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1694	190	.....	.....	15864	217
7th " May, 1854.....	89	18600	.....	.....	.....	.....	222	2190	9070	2455	192	.....	.....	18542	223
8th " May, 1855.....	84	19249	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1858	144	.....	.....	19795	230
9th " June, 1856.....	86	19074	.....	.....	.....	.....	202	1949	9190	2458	143	.....	.....	20843	270
10th " April, 1857.....	89	19426	.....	.....	.....	.....	214	2031	9368	.....	140	.....	.....	.....	.....
11th " April, 1858.....	100	21500	244	\$153650	27	\$14390	201	1785	8950	2280	162	.....	.....	20883	257
12th " April, 1859.....	101	22288	282	171751	28	15103	256	2162	11833	2089	187	.....	.....	21544	256
13th " March, 1860.....	100	22551	286	183270	29	14308	275	2520	11533	1735	167	.....	.....	22799	227
14th " March, 1861.....	94	21985	290	177495	28	13875	259	2598	11241	1548	99	.....	.....	24048	258
15th " March, 1862.....	85	16750	229	162475	22	13000	137	1308	6276	1220	69	.....	.....	14371	205
16th " March, 1863.....	84	14122	219	157060	26	14225	154	1517	7080	2394	133	.....	.....	17284	270
17th " March, 1864.....	84	15207	220	175519	26	13975	175	1824	8747	3571	34	.....	.....	19063	340
18th " March, 1865.....	92	14955	214	195000	27	20800	189	1808	9223	3595	968	.....	.....	24395	406
19th " March, 1866.....	86	20513	252	206000	28	26855	225	2211	11600	4100	891	.....	.....	29294	406
20th " March, 1867.....	89	27004	253	234925	33	18180	306	2876	16821	2507	584	.....	.....	39972	487
21st " March, 1868.....	99	28201	280	362225	32	36050	389	3450	18162	2828	918	.....	.....	48897	474
22nd " March, 1869.....	101	25288	280	350035	33	41190	379	3679	18532	3027	805	\$ 27	.....	47343	557
23rd " March, 1870.....	104	28111	293	386630	35	47850	357	3256	17801	3204	905	50	\$ 51	47807	556
24th " March, 1871.....	122	28332	316	398350	35	48850	369	3393	18871	3207	841	69	.....	57184	590
25th " March, 1872.....	135	29115	336	451988	34	49795	383	3515	18523	3344	921	427	43	61122	541
26th " March, 1873.....	145	27167	336	474950	36	46525	384	3357	18183	3135	726	193	35	66164	537
27th " March, 1874.....	160	29855	365	530825	43	48600	355	3451	18959	3395	816	186	81	60312	511
28th " March, 1875.....	159	31413	365	543155	49	62300	428	3874	21112	3659	1021	218	101	70723	561
29th " March, 1876.....	149	34178	377	579575	52	64550	469	3977	22985	3322	969	197	105	69698	580
30th " March, 1877.....	150	33338	369	492750	50	65300	473	3743	22350	3527	765	169	89	61598	513
31st " *October, 1877.....	155	30819	373	555500	54	97040	458	3873	23446	1992	642	176	153	28897	229
32nd " October, 1878.....	155	32717	374	561750	56	60270	446	3904	22251	2367	827	234	209	55890	437
33rd " October, 1879.....	157	32157	384	515450	57	60850	461	3920	24778	2519	994	221	173	53390	430
34th " October, 1880.....	153	33330	394	551310	59	59350	486	4661	26125	2779	1090	281	201	57500	504
35th " October, 1881.....	156	33067	414	575250	61	70276	486	4229	26143	3026	1532	301	211	60540	438
36th " October, 1882.....	163	34051	417	573630	63	74070	450	4066	22221	3314	1878	319	283	63323	453
37th " October, 1883.....	169	34325	437	578000	66	88775	498	4452	26768	3585	1930	319	263	63534	430
38th " October, 1884.....	166	34640	445	615418	70	81075	515	4643	27767	3368	1825	300	255	66291	459

*N. B.—This Conference year embraced but six months, the time of meeting being changed from Spring to Fall.



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Morgantown, Wheeling and Oakland Districts,

[Table No. 1.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.....	No. of Full Members.....	No. of Local Preachers.....	No. of Deaths.....	No. of Children Baptized.....	No. of Adults Baptized.....	No. of Churches.....	Probable Value.....	No. of Parsonages.....	Probable Value.....	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property.....	Present indebtedness on Church property.....	Current Expenses, (Sexton, light, fuel, etc.).....
Morgantown District.														
1 Arnettsville.....	10	354	3	1	.....	.....	6	2800	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	30
2 Blacksville.....	2	320	1	4	.....	3	4	5500	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	50
3 Burton.....	5	108	3	.....	.....	5	1	400	1	275	40	.....	.....	.....
4 Grafton.....	10	312	.....	5	7	5	1	15000	1	1500	28	36	600	219
5 Jollytown.....	56	410	3	3	.....	18	8	7000	1	500	250	.....	.....	184
6 Kingwood.....	17	141	.....	2	1	.....	2	11500	1	2500	10	.....	.....	100
7 Knottsville.....	10	300	.....	5	6	16	5	5600	1	350	.....	.....	.....	.....
8 Masontown.....	.....	500	1	.....	.....	6	6	7000	1	800	.....	.....	.....	50
9 Monongalia.....	.....	286	2	4	.....	2	6	3500	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....
10 Morgantown Station	9	212	1	3	1	2	1	10000	1	1500	99	.....	.....	219
11 " Circuit.....	.....	423	2	4	.....	20	6	5300	.....	.....	800	.....	.....	75
12 Palatine.....	20	588	3	4	2	39	11	9500	1	1200	.....	.....	.....	115
13 Smithton.....	1	279	1	4	1	3	7	4500	1	300	50	.....	.....	45
	140	4233	20	39	18	108	64	87600	9	8925	1347	36	700	1087
Wheeling District.														
14 Benwood.....	9	112	1	2	10	7	1	4500	.....	.....	800	.....	.....	100
15 Cameron.....	13	195	.....	1	5	27	2	3000	1	1600	.....	.....	.....	100
16 Dallas.....	.....	217	.....	1	4	2	2	5000	1	1000	20	10	100	100
17 Greene.....	34	249	5	2	2	16	7	2400	1	200	25	.....	.....	28
18 Marshall.....	10	250	3	2	.....	4	4	2000	1	500	.....	.....	.....	200
19 Moundsville Station	15	318	1	5	.....	1	1	16000	1	1000	60	1500	300	213
20 " Circuit.....	4	450	1	3	7	20	6	6500	.....	.....	110	23	.....	.....
21 N. Martinsville Sta.	.....	85	.....	1	1	.....	1	3000	.....	.....	35	160	52	80
22 " Cir.....	8	83	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	2000	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....
23 Pleasant Valley.....	4	331	1	.....	1	7	5	5000	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
24 Short Cr'k & Liberty	3	184	.....	1	2	3	2	12000	1	1300	267	.....	40	100
25 Triadelphia.....	1	124	.....	2	5	4	1	7500	1	2500	204	.....	.....	100
26 Wheeling-Chapline	13	225	1	3	20	5	1	7000	1	3500	.....	.....	13	450
27 " Fourth St.....	19	401	.....	6	15	2	1	70000	1	12000	500	.....	5600	1245
28 " North St.....	9	256	.....	2	75	.....	1	8000	1	1600	.....	.....	.....	530
29 " Thomson Ch	9	200	1	4	5	.....	1	16000	1	2000	317	.....	.....	230
30 " Wesley Chap	25	147	1	3	18	6	1	9000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200
31 " Zane Street..	3	192	1	3	15	2	1	15000	1	3000	150	.....	.....	250
	179	4019	16	41	185	92	41	193900	12	30200	2488	1695	6125	3926
Oakland District.														
32 Albrightsville.....	29	316	2	5	19	24	5	5800	1	300	150	.....	121	25
33 Brandonville.....	25	444	.....	2	7	56	6	9000	1	500	500	450	.....	.....
34 Cranesville.....	20	142	.....	1	9	3	1	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
35 Deer Park.....	20	200	3	3	9	.....	3	2250	.....	.....	750	59	400	.....
36 Evansville.....	24	287	1	3	18	27	5	5000	1	600	600	.....	265	20
37 Grantsville.....	.....	122	.....	1	4	6	3	3800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
38 Newburg.....	46	162	1	1	.....	15	1	2000	.....	.....	250	.....	.....	54
39 Oakland.....	19	278	2	1	7	9	2	3000	1	1500	67	.....	100	82
40 Pleasant Grove.....	54	280	1	1	15	5	6	2600	1	300	70	.....	40	.....
41 Randolph Mission...	24	86	.....	.....	16	16	1	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
42 Rowlesburg.....	10	170	2	2	7	.....	2	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
43 Selbysp'rt & Johnt'n	.....	348	3	.....	17	3	7	5750	1	450	447	142	159	17
44 St. George & Aurora	.....	246	1	.....	.....	.....	7	3500	1	500	.....	.....	.....	.....
	271	3081	16	20	128	164	49	46025	7	4150	2834	651	1085	198

SUNDAY SCHOOLS				BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COLLECT'NS.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		
Current Expenses, (Session, Light, Fuel, etc.)	No. of Schools.....	No. of Officers and Teachers.....	No. of Scholars of all ages.....	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.....	For Sunday School Union.....	For Tract Society.....	For Freedmen's Aid Society.....	For Education.....	For American Bible Society.....	For Woman's Foreign Miss'y Soc'y..	For Woman's Home Miss'y Society..	Other Collections—General Confer- ence Expenses.....	For Pastor, Presiding Elder and Bishops.....	For Conference Chairmen.....
				From Churches.....	From Sunday Schools.....	Total											
30 50 219 184 100 50 219 75 113 45	6 4 4 1 2 9 5 7 6 1 6 1 5	66 41 32 24 80 28 20 56 60 36 50 42	370 201 120 225 460 271 150 350 300 181 400 268 261	32 12 3 28 16 35 10 10 75 10 5 10	7 8 1 4 4 25 6 10 5	40 20 4 35 20 60 10 16 85 15 5 10	4 1 2 1 8 2	 1 1 1 1 1 1	3 2 10 6 1 12 1	2 10 6 1 2	 1 7 23 1 25 1	10 6 20 10 11 18 12			 455 395 205 1149 681 788 568 637 474 714 735 388 343	 2 1 2 2 3 2	 15 10 2 10 11 40 1 30 50 10 5 1
1087	57	555	3556	247	73	320	24	4	5	36	21	57	87		12	7532	185
100 100 100 28 200 213 80 100 100 450 1245 530 230 200 250	1 2 3 7 4 1 6 1 1 2 1 																

Clarksburg, Buckhannon and Parkersburg Districts, [Table No. 1.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property.	Present indebtedness on Church property.	Current expenses (sexton, light, fuel, etc.).
Clarksburg District.														
45 Bridgeport.....	219	2	5	.....	4	6	4953	.....	.....	353	.....	.....	.....	4
46 Cherry Camp.....	43	352	3	2	2	25	6	3000	1	450	100	50	.....	75
47 Clarksburg.....	17	200	2	.....	1	1	11000	1	1800	140	.....	.....	103	2
48 Fairmont.....	7	108	.....	1	.....	.....	1	6000	1	1500	60	.....	.....	96
49 Logansport.....	31	281	3	3	20	4	2600	1	500	114	.....	315	.....	4
50 Lumberport.....	2	420	1	2	8	7	3500	1	800	139	.....	.....	.....	140
51 Mannington.....	5	370	5	6	3	7	6000	1	800	2500	.....	.....	60	7
52 Marion.....	7	259	3	7	.....	6	6000	1	1000	30	.....	.....	40	5
53 Pine Grove.....	20	257	.....	3	.....	4	9000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
54 Pruntytown.....	3	234	1	2	1	15	4	8100	1	1500	262	.....	.....	97
55 Smithton.....	6	282	1	3	3	4	6	3500	1	400	21	50	20	3
56 West Milford.....	63	515	3	5	61	8	7000	1	600	2400	20	40	200	7
57 Wilsonburg.....	24	320	1	2	1	21	8	6400	1	500	580	40	334	80
58 Worthington.....	4	147	2	.....	1	3	2000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
	232	3964	27	42	10	159	71	79053	11	9850	6678	131	739	911
Buckhannon District.														
59 Bealington.....	48	487	2	3	5	43	6	2500	.....	780	750	125	13	7
60 Buckhannon Station.....	6	162	2	4	3	11	1	6500	.....	2060	.....	125	1	3
61 " Circuit.....	14	476	3	2	.....	12	7	6000	.....	520	.....	72	6	6
62 Beverly.....	6	314	5	1	5	10	5	2000	1	80	200	.....	30	5
63 Cannan.....	36	377	1	1	4	20	8	1500	.....	70	.....	.....	.....	11
64 Freemansburg.....	14	291	2	4	.....	4	7	4540	1	900	195	30	5	7
65 Frenchton.....	62	545	2	5	20	27	8	5000	1	1000	1300	.....	100	8
66 Glenville.....	9	525	2	5	3	7	8	4800	1	800	60	25	37	9
67 Helvetia.....	.....	12	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
68 Mingo.....	6	16	1	.....	.....	.....	1	750	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
69 Philippi.....	.....	512	4	5	.....	38	7	5500	1	1000	35	.....	48	8
70 South Buckhannon.....	47	531	2	2	8	28	9	4500	.....	1200	.....	100	9	9
71 Sutton.....	4	418	2	2	.....	7	6	3000	1	600	1200	375	35	8
72 Webster.....	41	160	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5
73 Weston.....	23	112	.....	2	12	3	1	2800	1	1800	.....	121	1	1
	316	4938	28	36	68	210	75	50390	7	6900	7365	1045	555	686
Parkersburg District.														
74 Belleville.....	.....	340	1	.....	.....	3	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
75 Centreville.....	15	355	3	6	6	5	2600	1	250	100	25	50	50	8
76 Elizabeth.....	12	320	2	4	14	43	6	6000	1	750	3100	90	85	7
77 Ellenboro.....	25	369	2	2	4	9	5	4500	1	650	550	.....	.....	3
78 Harrisville.....	30	428	2	3	7	11	7	6700	1	800	725	.....	100	8
79 Middlebourne.....	2	323	3	1	2	1	5	2500	1	400	145	.....	55	4
80 Parkersburg Station.....	14	273	1	2	1	6	1	30000	1	7000	825	90	242	1
81 " Circuit.....	10	585	2	7	4	15	9	9000	1	1000	1800	36	135	7
82 " Mission.....	.....	120	1	.....	.....	30	1	300	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	1
83 Petroleum.....	20	290	.....	.....	.....	10	4	4000	1	1200	450	.....	150	7
84 Ravenswood.....	7	183	2	4	.....	13	3	3000	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	2
85 Sistersville.....	20	267	2	2	4	9	4	1500	.....	12	.....	.....	28	4
86 Shilo.....	7	240	5	2	1	8	6	3000	1	400	1040	.....	100	6
87 Valley Mills.....	4	112	.....	1	3	14	1	1000	1	700	2	.....	20	1
88 Volcano.....	3	133	1	1	2	1	3	3500	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	1
89 West Union.....		80	1		2		1	2500		375		30	25	4
90 Williamstown.....														7
	184	4420	26	36	50	170	64	82500	10	3150	9324	241	80	1020

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West Virginia Conference.

Current expenses (sexton, light, fuel, etc.).....	SUNDAY SCHOOLS			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COLLECT'NS.		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		
	No. of Schools.....	No. of Officers and Teachers.....	No. of Scholars of all Ages.....	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.....	For Sunday School Union.....	For Tract Society.....	For Freedmen's Aid Society.....	For Education.....	For American Bible Society.....	For Woman's Foreign Miss'y Soc'y.....	For Woman's Home Miss'y Soc'y.....	Other Collections—General Conference Expenses.....	For Pastor, Presiding Elder and Bishops.....	For Conference Claimants.....	
				From Churches.....	From Sunday Schools.....	Total.....												
75	4	35	175	5	2	7									1	350	3	
103	3	26	200	9	1	10					9				1	462	8	
96	2	26	220	6	14	20	3		1	12		1			2	745	7	
	1	8	90	5	10	15	4		2	4						557	3	
140	4	41	253	5	1	6		1	1	1					1	502	3	
60	7	35	210	5	5	10	1						1		1	452	7	
40	7	62	325	30	15	45	4	1	1	9	6	6			1	580	5	
	5	60	300	9	10	19	2	1	2	1	3	5			2	591	5	
	3	40	190	2	2	4										141		
97	3	27	166	9	1	10	1			1	4		10		1	577	5	
20	3	20	150	5	2	7	1		1	1						377	4	
200	7	83	523	137	8	145	10	1	1	7	35	2			2	725	25	
80	8	76	335	24	4	28	1		1	1	1	1			1	466	11	
	2	17	93	2		2									1	186	2	
911	59	556	3230	253	75	328	27	4	7	15	76	12	23		14	6711	88	
13	7	58	353	25	15	40									1	454	7	
125	1	18	13	13	4	27		2	1	2	10	11			2	633	13	
72	6	51	263	23	2	25	4	3	1	2	8	4			2	580	5	
30	5	50	251	10	10	10									1	404	5	
	11	93	391	10	8	18	2			2					1	241	10	
5	7	50	299	5	1	6	2		1						1	565	4	
100	8	75	350	38	2	40	3	1	1	5	10	1			2	575	18	
37	9	43	253	13		13	2		1		1	1	1		2	682	7	
																25		
																25		
48	8	60	407	29	6	35	3			1	1	2			2	575	7	
100	9	40	320	10	11	21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	645	5	
35	8	68	400	10		10	1		1	1		1			1	623	5	
	5	5													1	177	2	
121	1	16	131	15	7	22	2	1		1	11	1			2	675	5	
686	85	627	3418	201	66	267	20	8	7	15	42	22	3		19	6999	93	
	7	65	375													538		
85	7	80	276	10	8	18	3			3					1	596	16	
	8	48	500	10		10						10			3	718	5	
	3	27	195	12	3	15									1	546	9	
100	8	75	450	31	14	43	6	1	1	9	7	8	1		2	758	30	
55	4	36	205	11	4	15	2		3	3					2	596	15	
242	1	31	233	205	30	235	5	3	2	5	5	33	75		5	1870	70	
135	7	55	329	15	10	25	1	1	1	1	1				2	887	12	
	1	75	6			6									1	251		
150	7	45	400	5	10	15	3			2	14	4			2	85	5	
30	4	25	160	20	4	25	3		1	2		3			2	664	15	
28	2	13	75	30	10	40	3	1	1		1				1	482	15	
	6	53	305	6	2	8	1		1	1	1	1			1	302	2	
100	1	11	82	18	3	21									1	559	6	
20	4	31	150									6			1	467	10	
25	1	9	100	10		10	2			2	4				1	403	6	
020	71	612	3016	389	93	486	30	7	7	29	33	66	76		26	9442	216	

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Charleston, Guyandotte and New River Districts, [Table No. 1.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.....	No. of Full Members.....	No. of Local Preachers.....	No. of Deaths.....	No. of Children Baptized.....	No. of Adults Baptized.....	No. of Churches.....	Probable Value.....	No. of Parsonages.....	Probable Value.....	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property.....	Present indebtedness on Church property.....	Current Expenses (Sexton, light, fuel, etc.).....
Charleston District.														
91 Calhoun.....		149	2	2		8	2	200						20
92 Charleston Station	14	146	2	5	10	4	1	12000				275	2200	300
93 " Circuit		199					2	2000	1	400				
94 Clifton and Mason.	50	212		3	30	34	2	6500	1	500	125		550	107
95 East Charleston.....	25	240	7	1		11	1	1000						
96 Hartf'd & N. Haven	6	179	1	1	31	12	2	2900			30			60
97 Letart and Leon.....		191	1	3			5	3000						
98 Malden.....	40	180	2	1		1	2	2000	1	500	50		35	50
99 Mill Creek.....		153	1											
100 Point Pleasant.....	51	93	1	3		1	2	2500	1	1000	105	25		50
101 Raymond City.....	4	92	3	1										
102 Ripley.....	19	181	1			2	2	500						
103 Sandyville.....	13	202		2	8	21								
104 Spencer.....	81	356	3	2	3	40	5	6200						
105 Smithville.....	20	221	2	4	1	6	4	2130			99			13
106 Walton.....	16	221	1	1		5								
	339	3006	27	29	83	145	30	40000	4	2400	409	300	2785	600
Guyandotte District.														
107 Cassville.....	35	152	1	3		5	3	600						
108 Ceredo.....	20	100	1			2	2	2300					40	50
109 Coal River.....		140	3			2	500							
110 East Hamlin.....	26	84	2	1		6	1	300						
111 Fairfield.....	6	69		1	3		1	2100	1	400		250	515	20
112 Guyandotte.....		108		1		2	1	2500						60
113 Hamlin.....	78	165	3	2		2	2	1300	1	350			33	40
114 Huntington.....		100				1	1	3500	1	2000	150	150	640	250
115 Laurel.....	9	45	1			1	800							
116 Milton.....		96	1			3	2500							20
117 Monticello.....	5	180	1	5	7	16	3	1250			100			
118 St. Albans.....	10	120	1			1	200							
119 Wayne.....	8	269	4	5		6	5	3500	1	450	140		400	
120 Winf'd & Mt. Union	30	177	2	1		6	4	3000	1	400				
	243	1784	18	20	18	47	31	24550	5	3750	390	400	1628	440
New River District.														
121 Boone.....	4	96	2	2	8	5	1	500						
122 Clay.....		70				1	800							
123 Elk River.....	15	324	6	5	8	50								
124 Fayette.....	40	150	4	4	3	6	3	1000	1	400	150		19	
125 Flat Top.....	24	114	5	1										
126 Hinchman's.....		147	3	4	5	5								
127 Logan.....		62												
128 Nicholas.....	40	571	3	3	23	48	9	5400	1	300	700		490	25
129 Mercer.....	18	105			2	7	1	700						
130 Mountain Cove.....	24	191	4	6	7	5	2	2100	1	600				
131 Pleasant Retreat...	114	340	8	4	4	27	2	1000	1	150			75	
132 Quinnimont & Hin.		51												
133 Raleigh.....	50	430	6	2	4	10	1	800	1	300				
134 Wyoming.....	168	143	4	1	69	22								
	497	2794	45	32	133	185	20	11300	5	1750	850		584	25

Current Expenses, (Sexton, light, fuel, etc.)	SUNDAY SCHOOLS			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COLLECT'NS.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		
	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missy Soc'y.	For Woman's Home Missy Society.	Other Collections—General Conference Expenses.	For Pastor, Presiding Elder and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.
				From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.											
20	4	32	160													84	
300	1	15	130	7	18	25	4				3	16			2	1184	8
107	3	20	156					1	3	3						400	
	12	20	340	7	3	10	2	1			20				3	657	5
60	7	52	265	3		3	1			1					1	245	1
	2	30	250	7	3	10	1	1		1					2	534	1
50	3	15	150	5		5				11						570	5
50	4	40	300	2	2	4					6				2	517	2
	2	15	185													200	
	2	18	100	1	9	10					5				1	354	2
	2	10	65	2		2										88	2
	2	18	65	3		3						1			2	259	
	5	47	284	10	1	11	1	1		1						300	5
13	7	57	261	10		10	1			1	1					469	2
	6	63	352	12	2	14	2		2	3						350	6
600	2	17	40	7		7	5	1	1	1	2	2	1			355	2
	54	469	3003	76	38	114	15	4	4	7	44	29	1		13	6566	41
50	1	5	40	2		2										122	1
				1		1										188	
20	1	8	50	4	1	5	1	1								43	
60	1	11	65	3	5	8	2			5						514	2
40	3	20	80	2		2	1				5	5				554	4
250	1	26	125	11	28	39	2	2	1	2	4	27	13			171	1
20	4	15	110												2	1033	10
	4	30	140	1		1										26	
	4	24	110	4		4	2			1	9				1	124	
	2	10	40													215	1
	5	30	260	6		6	1									14	
	6	42	200	5	1	6	1					1			8	232	5
																306	5
440	36	242	1380	39	35	74	10	3	1	3	18	33	18		11	3537	29
	1	15	85	5		5					5					247	1
																130	
	11	100	350	8		8				1					1	353	5
	3	18	90	6		6										119	3
				1		1										172	1
				6	1	7	1									316	5
25																22	
	6	54	180	15	5	20	1									555	15
	1	6	95	2		2									2	114	
	4	42	138	8	2	10	1								1	512	
	6	60	300	20		20	2			3	1				1	399	10
	4	15	96													210	
	6	60	240	3	2	5	1					7			1	426	1
	4	45	130	5		5	1									222	3
	46	415	1704	79	10	89	7			4	6	7			6	3797	44

Recapitulation by Districts.

[Table No. 1.

DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.....	No. of Full Members.....	No. of Local Preachers.....	No. of Deaths.....	No. of Children Baptized.....	No. of Adults Baptized.....	No. of Churches.....	Probable Value.....	No. of Parsonages.....	Probable Value.....	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property.....	Present indebtedness on Church property.....	Current Expenses, (Sexton, light, fuel, etc.).....
Morgantown.....	140	4233	20	39	18	108	64	87600	9	8925	1347	36	700	1087
Wheeling.....	179	4019	16	41	185	92	41	193900	12	30200	2488	1695	6125	3926
Oakland.....	271	3081	16	20	128	164	49	46025	7	4150	2834	65	1085	198
Clarksburg.....	232	3964	27	42	10	159	71	79053	11	9850	6678	131	739	911
Buckhannon.....	316	4938	28	36	68	210	75	50390	7	6900	7365	1045	555	688
Parkersburg.....	184	4420	26	36	50	170	64	82600	10	13150	9324	241	80	1020
Charleston.....	339	3006	27	29	83	145	30	40000	4	2400	409	300	2735	600
Guyandotte.....	243	1784	18	20	18	47	31	24550	5	3750	390	400	1628	440
New River.....	497	2794	45	32	133	185	20	11300	5	1750	850	.....	584	25
Totals.....	2401	32239	223	295	693	1280	445	615418	70	81075	31685	3913	14231	8895
Increase.....		1098	5		181		8	37418	4		2067			
Decrease.....	470			106		152				6700		1494	4350	392



Table No. 1.]

West Virginia Conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS				BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COLLECT'NS.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		
				For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension	For Sunday School Union	For Tract Society	For Freedmen's Aid Society	For Education	For American Bible Society	For Woman's Foreign Miss'y Soc'y..	For Woman's Home Miss'y Soc'y....	Other Collections—General Confer- ence Expenses.....	For Pastor, Presiding Elder and Bishops.....	For Conference Claimants.....
				Total	From Sunday Schools.....	From Churches.....											
1087	57	555	3556	247	73	320	24	4	5	36	21	57	87	.....	12	7532	185
3926	43	600	4094	617	763	1380	145	29	47	123	184	125	226	.....	43	15976	619
198	64	567	3472	258	52	310	22	7	9	23	32	22	22	.....	10	5741	112
911	59	556	3230	253	75	328	27	4	7	15	76	12	23	.....	14	6711	88
688	85	627	3418	201	66	267	20	8	7	15	42	22	3	.....	19	6999	93
1020	71	612	3910	389	98	486	30	7	7	29	33	66	76	.....	26	9442	216
600	54	469	3003	76	38	114	15	4	4	7	44	29	1	.....	13	6566	41
440	36	242	1380	39	35	74	10	3	1	3	18	33	18	.....	11	3537	29
25	46	415	1704	79	10	89	7	.....	.....	4	6	7	.....	.....	6	3797	44
.....				.....			.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*56	.....	.....
8895	515	4643	27767	2159	1210	3368	300	66	87	255	456	373	456	.....	110	66291	1427
392	17	191	999	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	201	.....	.....	.....	.....	2757	.....
.....				25	108	134	19	19	8	.....	.....	12	239	.....	.....	.....	116

*Not reported from Charges.



Morgantown, Wheeling and Oakland Districts.

[Table No. 2.

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								
NAMES OF CHARGES.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	PASTORS.		PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.		
		Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.....	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.....	Deficiencies	Appointed	Paid.....	Appointed	Paid.....	Appointed	Paid.....
Morgantown District.										
1 Arnettsville.....	John Conwell.....	400	335	64	50	50	5	5	25	15
2 Blacksville.....	J. C. Rexroad.....	380	340	39	50	50	5	5	15	10
3 Burton.....	Thos. E. Galway.....	374	168	205	35	35	5	2	10	2
4 Craffon.....	J. M. Warden.....	1050	1050	90	90	9	9	9		
5 Jollytown.....	J. T. Eichelberger.....	675	593	82	80	80	8	8		
6 Kingwood.....	A. J. Lyda.....	706	700	700	80	80	8	8	40	40
7 Knottsville.....	R. Weese.....	535	535	66	66			2		2
8 Masontown.....	J. E. Wasson.....			50	50					
9 Monongalia.....	T. H. Trainer.....	400	385	15	65	59	9	7	30	6
10 Morgantown Station.....	C. Crawford.....	600	623	80	80	80	11	11	50	50
11 Morgantown Circuit.....	Wm. J. Sharpes.....	650	565	85	75	75	10	7	35	10
12 Palatine.....	R. S. Welch.....	425	321	103	65	65	6	2	35	5
13 Smithton.....	Asby Stevens.....	350	290	60	50	50	4	3		1
		6539	5005	653	836	830	80	69	240	141
Wheeling District.										
14 Benwood.....	S. King.....	670	670		40	40		3		2
15 Cameron.....	D. Cool.....	670	620	50	53	53	7	6	40	5
16 Dallas.....	J. B. Feather.....	700	600	100	75	75	12	8	50	8
17 Greene.....	T. Richmond.....	420	375	45	50	50	4	2	15	3
18 Marshal.....	C. J. Trippett.....	584	584		80	80				
19 Moundsville Station.....	W. E. Loomis.....	1000	1000		96	96	14	14	50	53
20 Moundsville Circuit.....	C. S. Allemong.....	750	685	65	93	65	10	7	15	9
21 New Martinsville Sta'n.....	J. D. Keyser.....	460	460		40	40	3	3	7	4
22 New Martinsville Circ't.....	M. Taylor.....	300	140	160	32	32	3	1	7	1
23 Pleasant Valley.....	R. E. Woodruff.....	460	460		52	52	5	5	12	12
24 Short Creek & Liberty.....	M. F. Dryden.....	725	725		70	70	15	15	70	15
25 Triadelphia.....	J. W. Webb.....	600	600		60	60				5
26 Wheeling, Chapline St.....	Geo. E. Hite.....	985	985		106	106	19	19	60	58
27 " Fourth St.....	Jos. E. Smith.....	3100	3100		278	278	31	31	175	300
28 " North St.....	L. H. Jordan.....	1050	1050		75	75	10	10	50	21
29 " Thomson Ch.....	S. E. Jones.....	1128	1128		106	106	21	17	66	66
30 " Wesley Ch.....	G. R. Copeland.....	750	690	59	46	46	5	2	12	4
31 " Zane St.....	J. B. Fitzpatrick.....	1000	1000		70	70	3	1		10
		15352	14872	479	1422	1396	162	144	629	576
Oakland District.										
32 Albrightsville.....	D. A. Friend.....	470	395	75	54	54	6	6	19	16
33 Brandonville.....	D. Flanagan.....	530	530		80	80	7	7		10
34 Cranesville.....	H. E. Friend.....	135	135		33	33	1	1	6	3
35 Deer Park.....	A. M. Bowlin.....	510	444	66	42	42	5	5		8
36 Evansville.....	N. L. Baumgardner.....	450	462		70	70	5	5	20	10
37 Grantsville.....	D. L. Ash.....	260	260		50	50	3	2		2
38 Newburg.....	G. Rogers.....	450	440	10	52	52		3		4
39 Oakland.....	M. W. Rider.....	775	743	32	78	78	7	7	26	26
40 Pleasant Grove.....	J. W. Bedford.....	440	343		54	54	6	6	21	21
41 Randolph Mission.....	C. W. Cox.....	260	125	135	32	32			6	1
42 Rowlesburg.....	B. Ison.....	550	360	190	52	52	5	4	18	7
43 Selbysport & Johnston.....	F. G. W. Ford.....	476	456	19	58	58	5	5	21	4
44 St. George and Aurora.....	W. M. West.....				58	58				
		5306	4693	527	713	708	50	51	137	112

Table No. 2.] *Clarksburg, Buckhannon and Parkersburg Districts.*

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								
NAMES OF CHARGES.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	PASTORS.			PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.	
		Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.....	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages..	Deficiencies	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid
Clarksburg District.										
45 Brideport	A. J. Lyon.....	400	290	110	60	60	5	5	24	8
46 Cherry Camp.....	A. S. Loveall.....	450	464	46	60	53	5	5	30	7
47 Clarksburg.....	E. H. Orwin.....	675	675		64	64	6	6	30	3
48 Fairmont.....	W. R. White.....	500	500		52	52	5	5	25	3
49 Logansport.....	C. B. Meredith.....	440	440		48	48	4	3	10	3
50 Lumberport.....	W. D. Carrico.....	450	386	63	60	60			6	6
51 Mannington.....	W. E. Rippey.....	650	576	73	80	80		4		6
52 Marion.....	G. Martin.....	500	390	109	80	72	11	7	50	5
53 Pine Grove.....	J. A. Williams.....	300	100	200	44	41				
54 Pruntytown and F.....	W. W. Kelley.....	600	514	85	60	57	7	5	15	5
55 Smithton.....	C. J. Price.....	450	327	122	48	48	4	3	12	4
56 West Milford.....	H. J. Boatman.....	625	625		90	90	10	10	30	25
57 Wilsonburg.....	L. W. Roberts.....	436	436		60	60	6	6	24	11
58 Worthington.....	B. F. Rogers.....	272	154	117	44	32	4		15	2
Buckhannon District.		6748	5817	925	850	817	62	54	241	85
59 Bealington.....	C. Poling.....	400	400		50	50	4	4	21	7
60 Buckhannon Station.....	J. Lee.....	575	575		71	71	7	7	21	13
61 Buckhannon Circuit.....	D. M. Heaston.....	500	489	20	94	94	8	4	30	5
62 Beverly.....	E. C. Woodruff.....	475	325	150	52	52	5	2	20	5
63 Canaan.....	S. D. Tamblын.....	240	191	48	46	46	5	3	20	10
64 Freemansburg.....	C. S. Harrison.....	321	163	157	52	52	3	1		
65 Frenchton.....	J. S. Boreman.....	665	585	80	84	84	8	6	30	18
66 Glenville.....	C. W. Upton.....	600	533	46	75	75	8	4		5
67 Helvetia.....	R. L. Brooks.....		20	16	5	5				
68 Mingo.....	Supplied.....									
69 Philippi.....	A. Mick.....	560	554	6	66	66	6	5		7
70 South Buckhannon.....	W. E. Lovett.....	600	586	14	58	55	5	4		5
71 Sutton.....	C. Warner.....	650	551	98	69	69	7	3	25	3
72 Webster.....	J. Adamson.....	225	133	92	42	42		2		2
73 Weston.....	D. S. Hammond.....	620	620		50	50	5	5	20	5
Parkersburg District.		6431	5736	711	841	816	71	50	187	91
74 Belleville.....	A. T. Morriston.....				80	80				
75 Centreville.....	J. H. Hess.....	525	510	15	80	80	6	6	25	16
76 Elizabeth.....	G. W. Grimes.....	680	630	50	85	85	3		12	
77 Ellenboro.....	Thos. Cotton.....	600	509	91	80	80	7	7	25	9
78 Harrisville.....	U. Pribble.....	650	650		100	100	8	8	30	30
79 Middlebourne.....	{ C. F. Bolinger..... W. H. Young.....	635	512	122	80	80	8	4	30	15
80 Parkersburg Station.....	T. B. Hughes.....	1670	1670		180	180	20	20	90	70
81 Parkersburg Circuit.....	J. F. Chenoweth.....	780	780		100	100	7	7	30	12
82 Parkersburg Mission.....	J. L. Clark.....									
83 Petroleum.....	D. F. Carder.....	374	220	154	30	30	2	1		
84 Ravenswood.....	J. W. Lambert.....	800	700	100	100	100	7	5	30	5
85 Sistersville.....	{ B. W. Hutchinson..... N. B. Johnson.....	630	575	55	85	85	7	4	25	15
86 Shiloh.....	W. H. Cooper.....	418	406	11	70	70	6	6	15	15
87 Valley Mills.....	R. M. Wallace.....	500	3 6	193	60	45	4	2	15	2
88 Volcano.....	J. D. King.....	560	560		55	55	4	4		5
89 West Union.....	B. B. Ward.....	400	386	34	65	65	4	2	10	2
90 Williamstown.....	W. Wirt King.....	350	350		50	50	3	3	10	6
		9572	8744	895	1300	1285	96	79	347	202

Charleston, Guyandotte and New River Districts. [Table No. 2.]

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								
NAMES OF CHARGES.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	PASTORS.		PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.		
		Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.....	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.....	Deficiencies.....	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid
Charleston District.										
91 Calhoun.....	D. R. Poling.....	125	60	65	32	24				
92 Charleston Station.....	J. A. Fullerton.....	1100	1100		80	80	4	15	8	
93 Charleston Circuit.....	C. R. Shackelford.....				60	60				
94 Clifton and Mason.....	J. Engle.....	660	585	75	65	65	7	7	5	
95 East Charleston.....	G. W. Matheny.....	350	184	165	60	60	4	1	4	
96 Hartford and N. Haven.....	C. B. Graham.....	550	484	65	60	48	2	1	3	
97 Letart and Leon.....	S. C. Loomis.....	500	358	141	65	38	5	5	5	
98 Malden.....	R. H. Hughes.....	629	455	165	65	60		2	2	
99 Mill Creek.....	J. M. Grose.....	350	150	200	50	50				
100 Point Pleasant.....	W. A. Chevront.....	400	302	98	50	50	3	1	6	
101 Raymond City.....	J. L. Moses.....	250	60	190	40	28			2	
102 Ripley.....	A. D. Perry.....	320	212	107	50	44	4	3		
103 Sandyville.....	G. W. Kepler.....	370	258	111	40	40	3	2	5	
104 Spencer.....	T. P. Ryan.....	590	400	100	80	66		3	2	
105 Smithville.....	W. B. Trevey.....	350	321	28	65	54	5	5	8	
106 Walton.....	E. G. Harbert.....	300	290	10	60	60	5	5	6	
Guyandotte District.		6745	5219	1529	862	827	38	39	57	
107 Cassville.....	G. W. Marston.....	125	110	14	36	11	3		5	
108 Ceredo.....	N. M. Somerville.....				36	35	2		5	
109 Coal River.....	J. T. Carroll.....	325	147	178	36	36				
110 East Hamlin.....	A. Moore.....	150	41	108	34	2				
111 Fairfield.....	J. A. Dixon.....	860	460	400	52	52	3	2	5	
112 Guyandotte.....	H. H. Miles.....	500	500		50	50	4	4	5	
113 Hamlin.....	{ D. Davis.....	300	139	160	48	31	3	1	10	
	{ W. A. Carroll.....								1	
114 Huntington.....	S. Steele.....	950	950		80	80	3	3	8	
115 Laurel.....	{ Supplied.....				26	26	3		5	
	{ C. H. Juckison.....									
116 Milton.....	{ O. J. Moore.....	200	80	120	48	44	3		5	
	{ W. J. Berry.....									
117 Monticello.....	J. A. Martin.....	272	160	112	52	52	3	3	10	
118 St. Albans.....	D. Upton.....				30	14				
119 Wayne.....	N. C. Beckley.....	450	193	256	60	35	4	3	10	
120 Winfield & Mt. Union.....	B. Darlington.....	450	260	190	60	30	2	2	10	
New River District.		4582	3040	1538	648	498	34	18	78	
121 Boone.....	J. B. Tope.....	300	200	100	50	47	3		8	
122 Clay.....	W. King.....				35	30			1	
123 Elk River.....	W. Hunter.....	335	300	35	60	60	5	5	17	
124 Fayette.....	{ W. H. Manuel.....	200	75	125	50	44		1	8	
	{ John Kincaid.....								3	
125 Flat Top.....	Thos. Parris.....	240	141	98	35	30	1		5	
126 Hinchman's.....	L. D. Bryan.....	300	260	39	55	55	3	1	8	
127 Logan.....	P. C. Mays.....		7		40	14			5	
128 Nicholas.....	G. H. Williams.....	550	488	61	70	70	5	5	20	
129 Mercer.....	{ Supplied.....		101		30	30			15	
	{ P. C. Mays.....									
130 Mountain Cove.....	B. D. Mahone.....	430	390	100	60	60	2	2	7	
131 Pleasant Retreat.....	W. R. Hennan.....	425	342	82	60	60	3	3	17	
132 Quinimont & Hinton.....	J. L. Porterfield.....				55	55			10	
133 Raleigh.....	F. H. J. King.....	630	370	260	55	55		1		
134 Wyoming.....	A. A. Nichols.....	400	170	229	50	51	3	1	10	
		3870	2844	1129	700	661	25	19	93	

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Recapitulation by Districts.

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF PRESID- ING ELDERS.	PASTORS.		PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.			
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135 Morgantown	D. H. K. Dix.....	6539	5905	653	836	830	80	69	240	141	
136 Wheeling	{ W. C. Snodgrass..... { G. E. Hite.....	15352	14872	479	1422	1396	162	144	629	576	
137 Oakland.....	C. H. Lakin.....	5906	4693	527	713	708	50	51	137	112	
138 Clarksburg.....	L. L. Stewart.....	6748	5817	925	850	807	62	54	241	85	
139 Buckhannon.....	W. G. Riheldaffer ...	6431	5736	711	841	816	71	50	187	91	
140 Parkersburg.....	Geo. C. Wilding.....	9572	8744	825	1300	1285	96	79	347	202	
141 Charleston.....	H. C. Sanford.....	6745	5219	1520	862	827	38	39	57	41	
142 Guyandotte.....	S. B. D. Prickitt.....	4582	3040	1538	648	498	34	18	78	29	
143 New River.....	J. W. Griffiths.	3870	2844	1129	700	661	25	19	93	51	
		65145	56870	8307	8172	1828	618	523	2009	1328	



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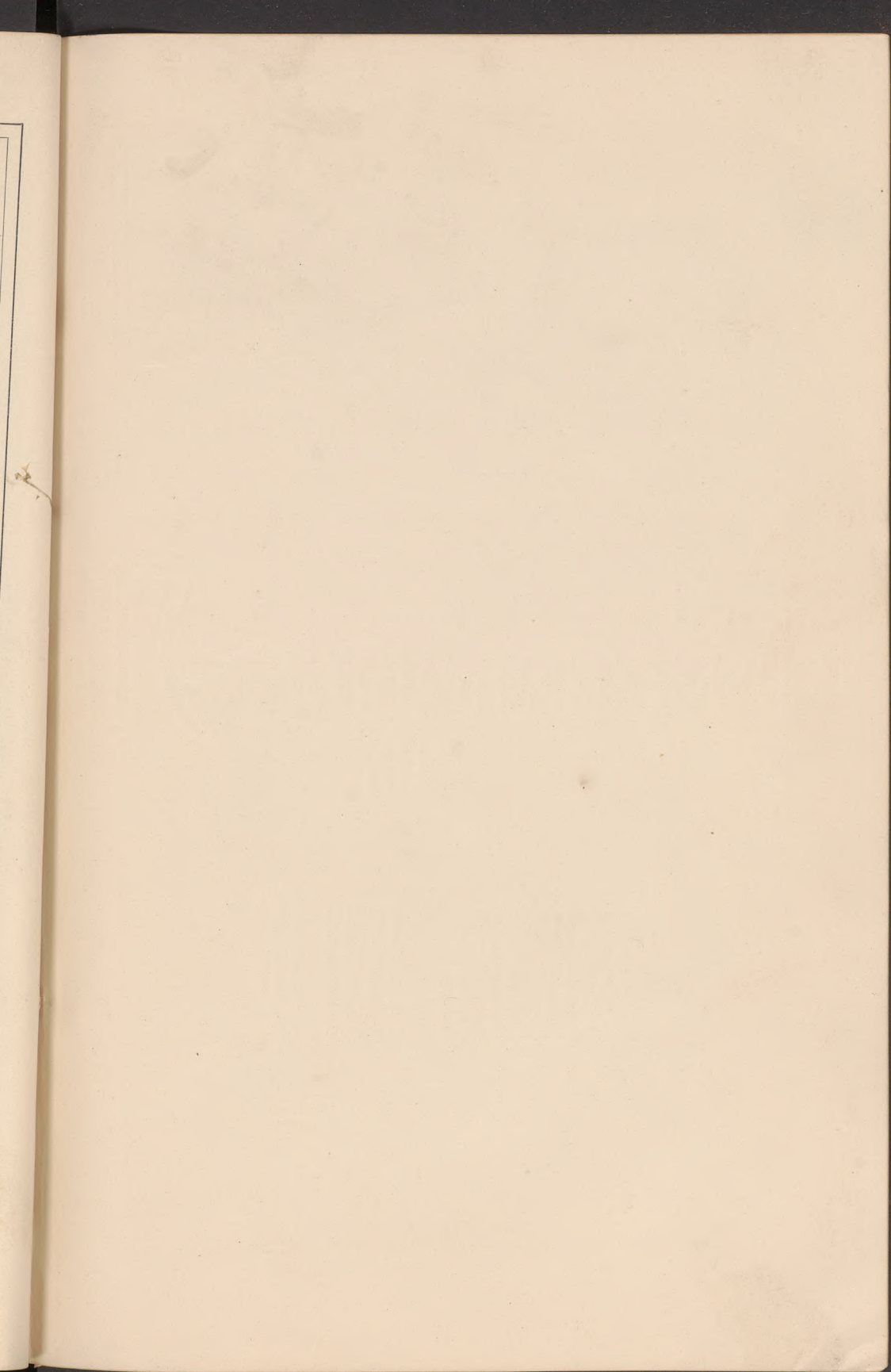
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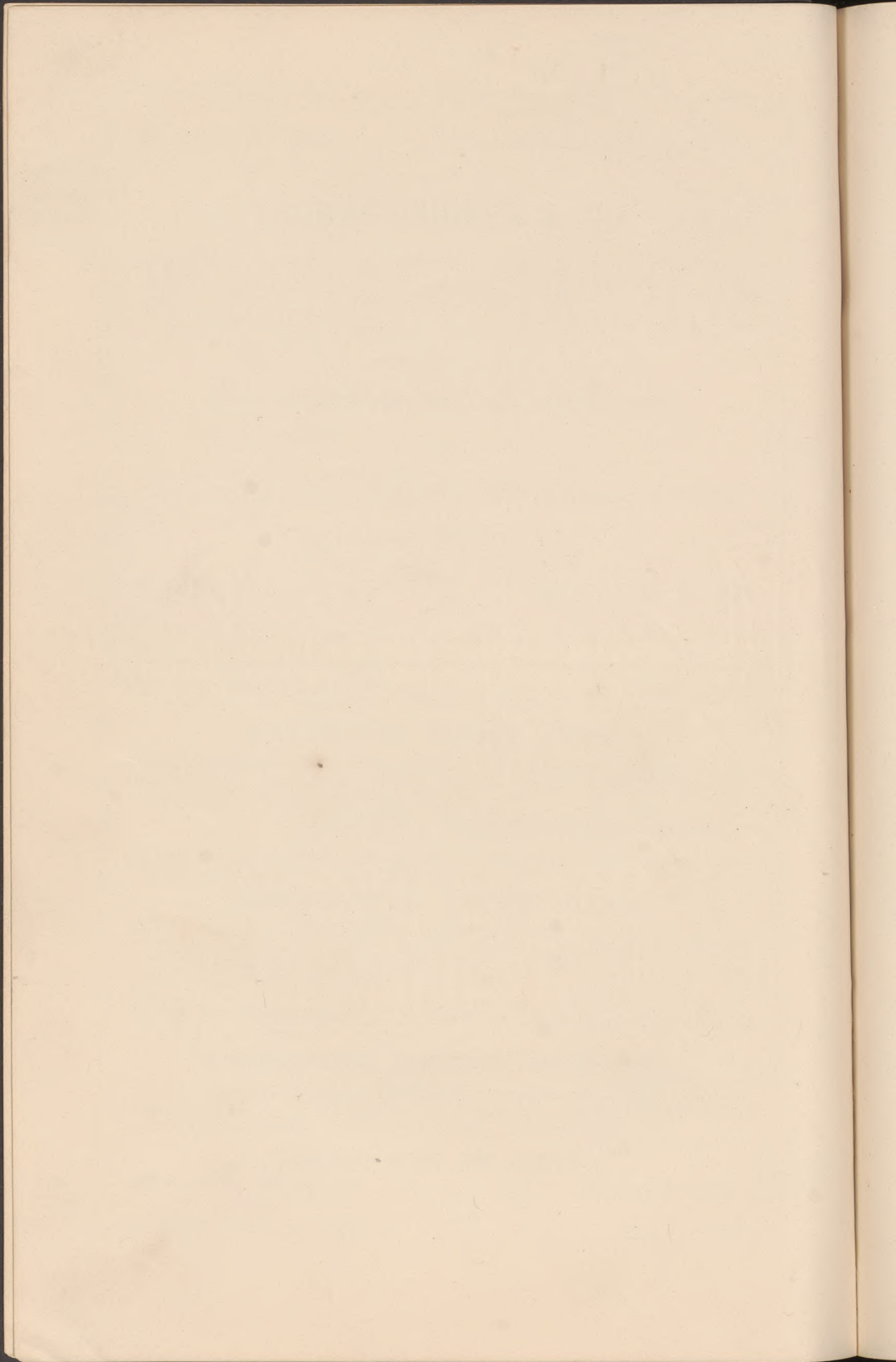
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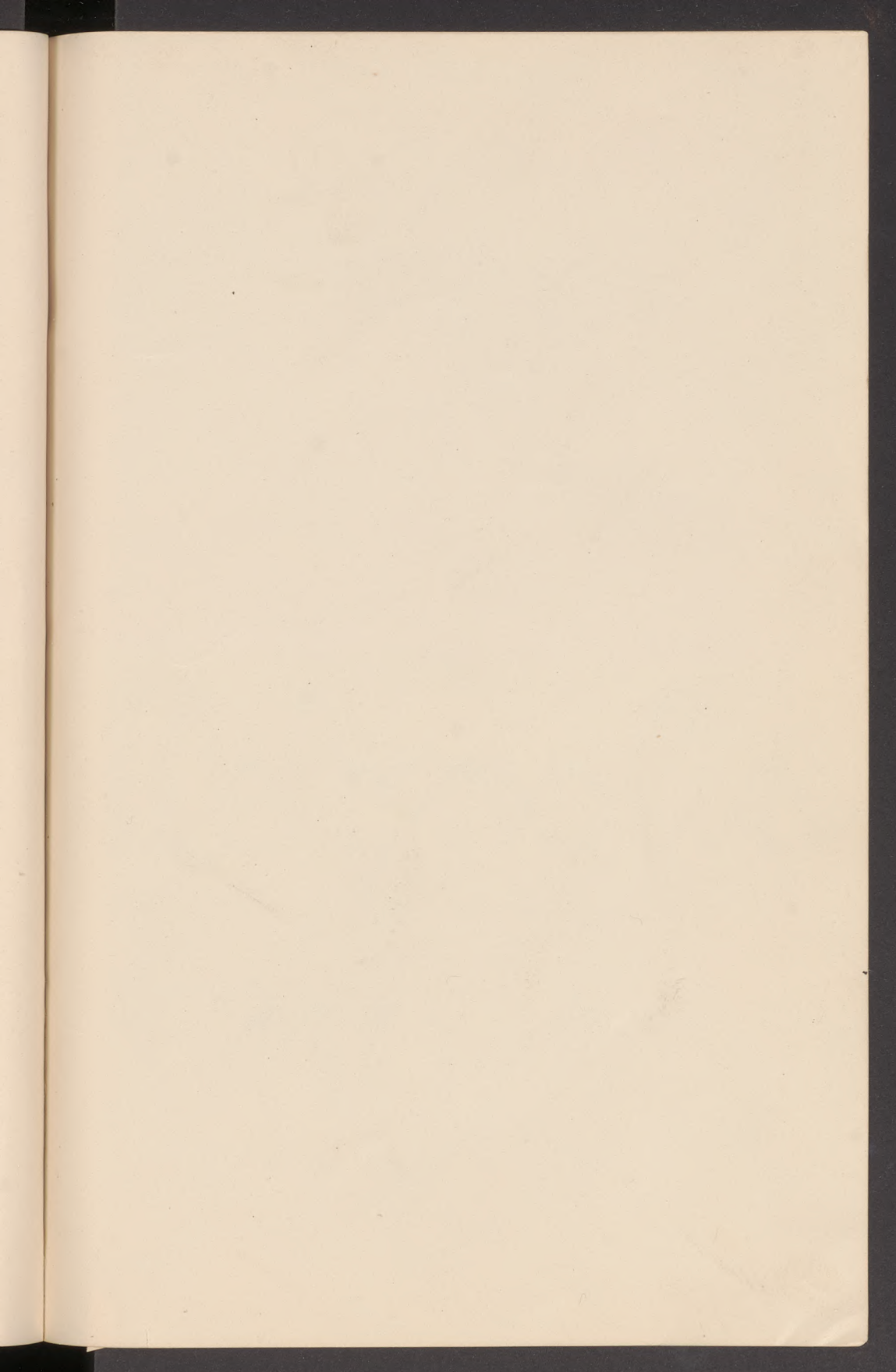
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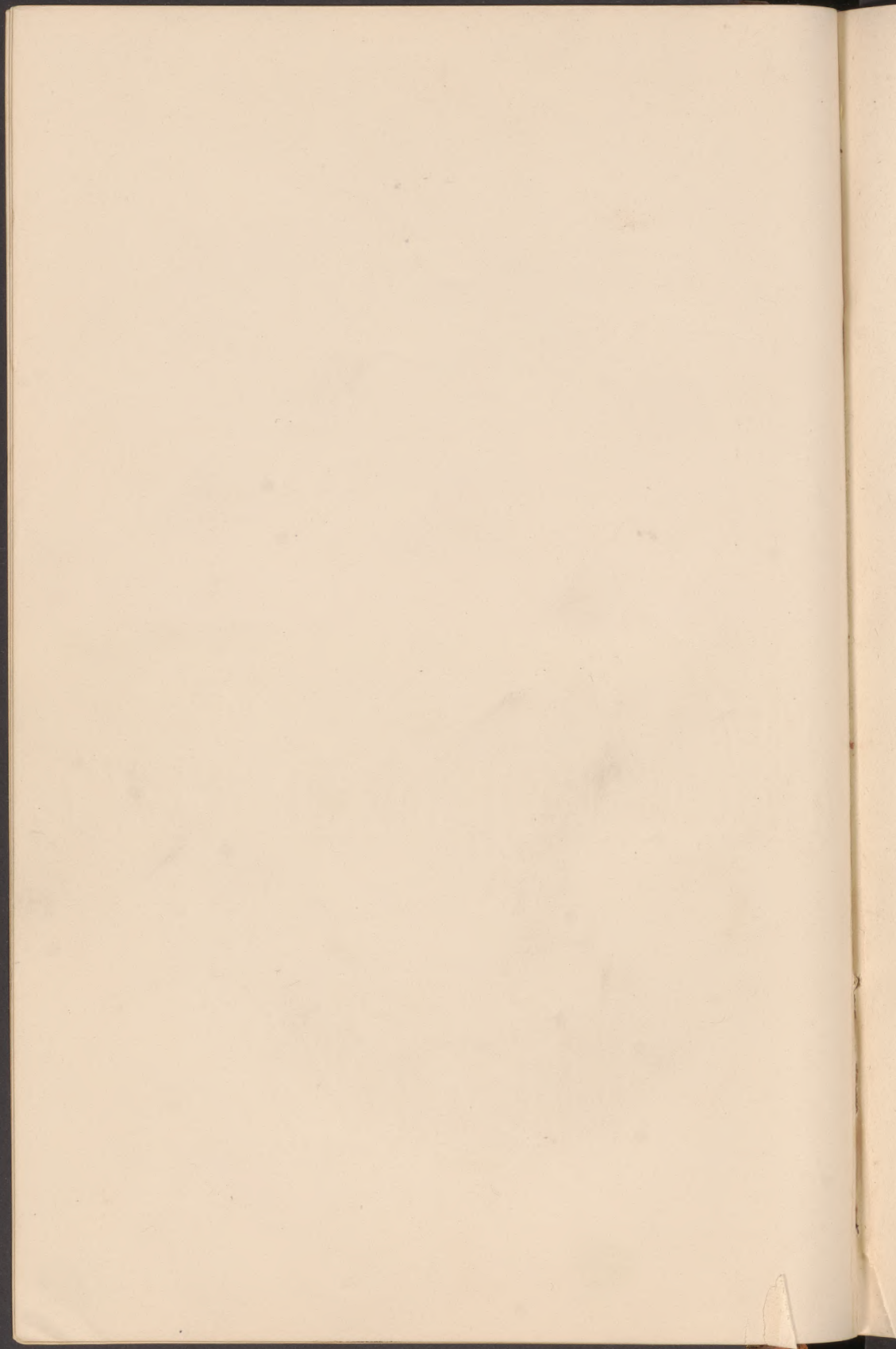
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Fourth Year.—C. B. Graham, F. G. W. Ford and A. S. Loveall.

Local Preachers for Deacon's Orders.—A. D. Perry, J. H. Hess and W. E. Lovett.

Local Preachers for Elders' Orders.—B. Ison, D. L. Ash and A. Stevens.

To Preach Missionary Sermon.

Appointee.—W. R. White. *Alternate.*—J. F. Chenoweth.

To Preach Conference Sermon.

Appointee.—W. E. Loomis. *Alternate.*—J. H. Hess.

Standing Committees.

The following Committees were appointed :

Public Worship.—J. A. Fullerton, J. M. Warden, Joseph Lee.

Board of Stewards.—C. Poling, J. Engle, J. H. Boatman, B. Darlington, D. Cool, G. H. Williams, N. L. Baumgardner, T. B. Hughes, W. J. Sharpes.

Necessitous Cases.—Board of Stewards.

Missions.—The Presiding Elders.

Education.—J. E. Smith, L. D. King, J. W. Bedford, W. Hunter, C. Crawford, L. H. Jordan, E. H. Orwen, J. A. Fullerton, S. Steele.

Sunday Schools and Tracts.—E. G. Harbert, D. L. Ash, N. C. Beckley, Joseph Lee, P. C. Mays, F. G. W. Ford, John Norris, C. S. Allemong, S. D. Tamblyn.

Church Extension.—The Presiding Elders.

Periodicals and Book Accounts.—A. S. Loveall, J. A. Martin, A. J. Lyda, Levi Cross, A. D. Perry, C. F. Bollinger, J. H. Hess, C. W. Upton, J. A. Dixon.

Bible Cause.—J. T. Davis, J. C. Rexroad, U. Pribble, D. Flannagan, S. C. Loomis.

Temperance.—A. Moore, W. R. White, W. R. Hennon, M. W. Rider, W. H. Cooper, W. E. Loomis, C. Warman, T. P. Ryan, C. B. Meredith.

Presiding Elders' Accounts.—Fred. Cottrill, A. Stevens, C. B. Graham.

Observance of the Sabbath.—W. R. White, A. A. Nichols, G. Rogers, Geo. W. Grimes, A. B. Rohrbaugh, E. R. Skidmore, G. W. Kepler, B. J. Boatman, D. Upton.

Freedmen's Aid.—J. B. Feather, W. Hunter, E. C. Woodruff, G. W. Grimes, H. C. Sanford, W. H. Shaw, L. W. Roberts, C. R. Shackelford, C. W. Cox.

Publication of the Minutes.—P. C. Mays, W. P. Weekly, D. F. Carder, C. J. Price, S. D. Tamblyn, W. A. Chevront, W. D. Carrico, J. A. Martin, T. W. Chidester.

On Post Offices.—The same Committee as for funds for publication of the Minutes.

To Examine District Conference Journals.—R. B. Ward, A. Stevens, L. D. Bryan.

On Memoirs.—W. W. Kelley, S. Steele, M. W. Rider, G. Martin.

Parsonages and Furniture.—S. P. Archer, H. H. Miles, B. Ison, J. W. Webb, C. B. Graham, D. S. Hammond, J. T. Carroll, T. H. Trainer, W. R. Hennon.

Missionary Cause.—F. H. J. King, W. E. Loomis, J. W. Webb, J. A. Dixon, A. L. Curtis, W. H. Shaw, Jos. Lee, Levi Cross, D. A. Friend.

Conference Relations.—S. King, L. D. King, J. W. Bedford, G. H. Williams, A. J. Lyda, C. Poling, J. Engle, A. S. Loveall, L. H. Jordan.

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Conference Officers

AND BOARDS.

President—BISHOP S. M. MERRILL, D. D.
Secretary—Wm. G. Riheldaffer, Buckhannon, West Virginia.
Assistant Secretaries—M. F. Dryden, J. F. Chenoweth.
Journal Secretary—E. H. Orwen.
Railroad Secretary—J. B. Feather.
Statistical Secretary—S. E. Jones.
Assistant Statistical Secretaries—H. J. Boatman, J. H. Hess.

Conference Educational Society.

Secretary and Treasurer—J. L. Clark.

Board of Church Extension.

President—G. W. Atkinson. *Vice-President*—S. E. Jones.
Secretary—John Bailie. *Treasurer*—James Reed.
Additional Members—B. Ison, J. H. Hess, H. K. List, M. F. Dryden.
Ex-Officio Members—The Presiding Elders of the Conference.

Trustees of Permanent Fund.

President—G. Martin. *Vice President*—W. R. White.
Secretary—Samuel Steele. *Treasurer*—J. L. Clark.
Other Member—Benj. Ison.

Missionary Society.

President—H. H. Miles. *Secretary*—C. B. Graham.
Treasurer—T. W. Chidester.

Grievs of Appeals.

A. J. Lyda, J. A. Fullerton, C. Warman, W. R. White, S. B. D. Prickitt,
M. W. Rider, J. L. Clark.

Board of Trustees of the Centennial Fund.

A. J. Lyda, L. H. Jordan, J. A. Fullerton, Samuel Steele, E. H. Orwen,
L. L. Stewart, H. J. Boatman, A. B. Rohrbaugh.

Laymen.—Hon H. C. McWhorter, Hon J. C. McGrew, H. K. List, Esq., Hon.
B. F. Martin, Hon. A. M. Poundstone, Henry Logan, Hon.
Nathan Goff, Sr., Hon. Samuel Woods.

Conference Historical Society.

G. Martin, *President*. G. W. Atkinson, *Vice President*.
J. L. Clark, *Secretary and Custodian*.
Executive Board.—J. B. Feather, E. H. Orwen, J. A. Fullerton, J. W. Reger,
L. H. Jordan, G. H. Williams, B. Ison, M. W. Rider, E. C. McWhorter.

Conference Roll.

NOTE.—The figures before a name correspond with the same person's name in the List of Ap-
pointments, page 27.

Effective Elders.

20 Allemong, Charles S.
84 Ash, David L.
42 Baumgardner, N. L.
109 Beckley, Neville C.
41 Bedford, Joseph W.
65 Boatman, Henry J.
29 Bolton, J. W. W.
138 Bryan, Lorenzo D.
60 Carrico, William D.
1 Chenoweth, Jasper F.
121 Cheuvront, William A.
10 Chidester, T. W.
101 Clark, James L.
2 Conwell, John.
7 Cool, Daniel.
30 Cotton, Thomas.
13 Crawford, Clark.
137 Cross, Levi.
71 Cottrill, Fred.
28 Curtis, A. L.
131 Darlington, Benjamin.
126 Davis, J. T.
97 Dixon, John A.
33 Dryden, M. F.
46 Engle, Jeremiah.
45 Evans, Blackburn B.
13 Feather, Joseph B.
15 Ford, Frederick G. W.
85 Fullerton, James A.
79 Graham, Christopher B.
89 Grimes, Geo. W.
26 Hammond, David S.

36 Hess, John H.
17 Hite, George E.
133 Hughes, Robert H.
106 Harbert, E. G.
142 Hunter, William.
31 Hull, J. C.
19 Ison, Benjamin.
34 Jones, Samuel E.
127 Jordan, Lewis A.
93 Kelley, William W.
91 King, Francis A. J.
55 King, Leonidus D.
35 King, Spencer.
37 Lakin, Calvin H.
92 Lee, Joseph.
92 Loomis, William E.
132 Loomis, Samuel C.
58 Loveall, Anthony S.
70 Lovett, William E.
103 Lyda, Andrew J.
95 Lowther, Newton J.
Moore, Archibald.
66 Mahone, Bennett D.
53 Martin, Gideon.
90 Mick, Asbury.
86 Miles, Henry H.
Moore, Okey J.
143 Morriston, A. T.
82 Meredith, Clinton B.
88 Norris, John.
9 Orwen, E. H.
49 Perry, Andrew D.

113 Pribble, Ulysses.
80 Poling, Cyrus.
5 Prickitt, Samuel B. D.
18 Price, Charles J.
32 Randolph, R. F.
12 Rexroad, John C.
118 Rider, Morgan W.
69 Riheldaffer, William G.
63 Rogers, Benjamin F.
68 Rogers, Gilbert.
39 Roberts, Lloyd W.
56 Rohrbaugh, A. B.
104 Ryan, Thomas P.
25 Sanford, Henry C.
116 Shackelford, Charles R.
23 Sharpes, William J.
72 Steele, Samuel.
4 Stevens, Asby.
24 Stewart, Lorin L.
94 Snodgrass, Jessie F.
124 Shaw, W. H.
3 Trainer, Thomas H.
59 Trippett, Caleb J.
54 Taylor, Marion.
76 Upton, Caleb W.
102 Warden James M.
73 Warman, Clemmer.
Webb, Jeremiah W.
6 Welch, Randolph S.
81 Williams, George H.
67 White, William R.

Effective Deacons.

11 Boreman, James S.
87 Carder, David F.
74 Cox, Columbus W.
96 Cooper, Wm. H.
38 Friend, David A.

107 Galway, Thomas E.
140 Hennon, Watson R.
105 Kepler, Geo. W.
108 Marston, Geo. W.
136 Mays, Perry C.

148 Nichols, Alderson A.
77 Skidmore, Elijah R.
75 Tamblin, Elias D.
111 Ward, Richard B.
Woodruff, Robert E.

First Year on Trial.

50 Arnett, Amos S.
22 Denton, Douglas A.
98 Jones, S. Eli.

64 McCormick, James P.
40 Orr, Dexter B.
125 Rader, Wm.
147 Scott, Wm. J.

119 Shaw, Charles E.
130 Shaw, George C.
135 Ward, Geo. E.

Second Year on Trial.

43 Archer, Sanford P.
99 Bollinger, Chas. F.

100 Clark, Chas. E.
21 Haines, Lorenzo D.

57 Richmond, Taylor.
51 Weekly, Wm. P.

Supernumeraries.

Copeland, G. R.
Carroll, J. T.
Dawson, Samuel R.
Dix, D. H. K.
Ford, E.

Hess, John W.
Hitchens, S.
King, E. D. W.
McNeal, Moore.
Matton, W. G.

Somerville, Newton M.
Wallace, R. M.
Woodruff, E. C.
Woodyard, R. L.

Superannuates.

Benedum, D. S.
Birkett, John.
Brooks, Robert.
Brooks, Richard L.
Conner, Calvin.
Crosfield, George.
Dixon, Andrew.
Dolliver, James J.

Eckess, J. N.
Hagar, Benjamin.
Laughlin, Robert.
Laughlin, J. S.
Leslie, Lewis E.
Matheny, G. W.
McGinnis, David A.
Northercraft, Richard.

Pinchen, John B.
Reger, John W.
Sanford, Vanlinden.
Scott, Hezekiah.
West, John B.
Wriston, William.
Williams, John A.

JOURNAL

First Day.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Sept. 24, 1885.

The West Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church commenced its **Thirty-Ninth Session** in the State Street M. E. Church, at Charleston, Sept. 24th, at 9 o'clock A. M., Bishop Stephen M. Merrill in the Chair.

Devotional Services.—The Bishop read as the first Scripture lesson the sixth chapter of Isaiah. The second lesson was a part of the fifth chapter of Second Corinthians. Hymn No. 822, "Jesus, the name high over all, in hell, or earth, or sky," was announced and heartily sung. **The Sacramental Service** was conducted by the Bishop, who called to his assistance Drs. Lyda, Steele, Webb and Clark. Over 200 ministers and members received the sacrament.

Conference Roll.—Geo. C. Wilding, Secretary of the last Session, having been transferred, J. F. Chenoweth, Assistant Secretary, called the roll, and 101 members answered to their names.

Secretaries.—On motion of Samuel Steele, the Conference proceeded, by ballot, to elect a Secretary.

Jos. Lee, C. W. Upton, L. H. Jordan and E. H. Orwen were appointed tellers.

There was no choice on the first ballot. On motion of D. H. K. Dix, W. G. Riheldaffer was elected by acclamation and given the power to appoint his Assistants.

Assistant Secretaries.—M. F. Dryden, J. F. Chenoweth.

Journal Secretary.—E. H. Orwen.

Railroad Secretary.—J. B. Feather.

Statistical Secretary.—S. E. Jones, on motion of D. H. K. Dix, was nominated, and elected by acclamation, with power to appoint his Assistants.

Time of Opening and Closing the Daily Sessions.—On motion, it was ordered that the daily sessions of the Conference commence at 9 A. M. and close at 11:45. The Session to be introduced by a half hour's prayer meeting, beginning at 8:30.

Conference Bar.—On motion of A. J. Lyda, the space in front of a line drawn across the church at the middle window, was made the bar of the Conference.

Introductions.—Rev. Stanley, of the Kanawha Presbyterian Church; Dr. J. A. Bayliss, of the *Western Christian Advocate*; F. A. Archibald, of the Western Book Concern; J. S. W. Dean, formerly of the Central Pennsylvania Conference; and Revs. Hammond, Hilliard and Barnett, of the Washington Conference, were introduced to the Conference.

Dr. Bayliss addressed the Conference in the interests of the *Western Christian Advocate*.

Various papers were referred to the appropriate committees.

Jos. Lee and C. Warman were appointed to fill vacancies in the Committee for Examination for the First Year.

Twentieth Question.—The twentieth question, "*Was the character of each preacher examined?*" was called, and W. G. Riheldaffer, Presiding Elder of the Buckhannon District, there being nothing against him, represented his District, after which the characters of the following Effective Elders were passed, each reporting his collections: C. Poling, Samuel Steele, C. W. Upton, B. D. Mahone, J. W. Webb, W. W. Kelley, W. E. Lovett, C. Warman. When the name of D. M. Heaston was called, it was announced that he had *died during the year*.

Charleston District.—J. M. Warden, Presiding Elder, was called and there being nothing against him, he proceeded to report the work on his District. The year had been an exceedingly hard one, because of flood and drouth. The benevolent collections would be smaller than usual. Several churches had been built during the year. Two parsonages purchased. There had been 350 conversions. The report being concluded, the names of the following Effective Elders were

called, their characters were passed, each reporting his collections: J. A. Fullerton, C. R. Shackelford, J. Engle, C. B. Graham, W. A. Cheuvront, S. C. Loomis, J. B. Tope, J. A. Dixon, T. P. Ryan.

The cases of G. W. Matheny and E. Ford, on motion of S. B. D. Prickitt, were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

Announcements.—The list of committees was called, and various announcements were made.

T. B. Hughes was appointed to take charge of the Conference prayer meeting and the religious services of Friday morning's session. The Doxology was sung, the Benediction pronounced by Dr. Bayliss, and the Conference adjourned.

Second Day.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Sept. 25, 1885.

Devotional Services.—The prayer service began at 8:30, led by T. B. Hughes, who read the 23d Psalm and led the Conference in prayer.

Roll Call of Absentees.—Upon motion of T. B. Hughes, the calling of the roll was omitted, except the names of those who were not present at yesterday's session. Several who had arrived answered to their names. The names of E. G. Harbert and W. G. Matton were added to the roll.

Reading the Minutes.—The minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, after making the necessary corrections, were approved.

Papers on Education.—Various papers on education were referred to the appropriate committee.

Chartered Fund and Book Concern Moneys.—The Bishop announced that the Conference was authorized to draw on the Chartered Fund for Thirty Dollars (\$30.00); and, on motion of T. B. Hughes, the draft was ordered. Also, that the Conference was authorized to draw on the Book Concern for one hundred and eighty-nine dollars (189.00). On motion of S. Steele, the draft was ordered.

Introductions.—Rev. J. C. Hull, of the South Kansas Conference; Dr. F. H. De-Hass, of the New York Conference; Revs. Barr

and Booker, of the Presbyterian Church; Revs. Hampton and Given, of the M. E. Church, South; James Sanford, of North Ohio Conference; and W. R. Long, Agent of American Bible Society, were introduced.

Statistical Secretaries.—H. J. Boatman and J. H. Hess were nominated by S. E. Jones, Statistical Secretary, as his assistants.

Special Session.—Upon motion of S. E. Jones, a **Special Session** of Conference was ordered, between the hours of 11:45 and 12:15, to receive statistics and **Benevolent Collections**.

Conference Treasurer.—On motion of J. L. Clark, L. H. Jordan was appointed to act as **Conference Treasurer**, and G. W. Grimes as assistant.

The Third Question of General Minutes, "*Who remain on trial?*" was taken up, and the names of C. F. Bollinger, S. P. Archer, W. P. Weekly, Taylor Richmond, Charles E. Clark and L. D. Harnes were called, their characters passed, and collections reported; and having passed satisfactory examinations on the studies of the year, and being duly recommended by their Presiding Elders, were continued on trial.

The Thirteenth Question of the General Minutes, namely, "*Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?*" was taken up, and the names of D. A. Friend, W. R. Hennon, R. B. Ward and P. C. Mays were called, their characters passed, their collections reported, and they were advanced to the Second Class of Deacons.

The names of R. E. Woodruff, N. M. Sommerville, F. N. Lynch, W. W. King, Silas D. Tamblyn were called, and not having appeared before the Committee on Examinations, were continued as Deacons of the First Class.

Question Fourteenth.—The fourteenth question of the General Minutes, namely, "*What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?*" was called, and after the usual Disciplinary proceedings, the following named brethren were duly elected Elders: M. F. Dryden, C. B. Meredith, Wm. Hunter, G. W. Grimes and L. D. Bryan.

J. S. Boreman was continued as a Deacon of the Second Class.

The cases of James A. Martin and Delorane Upton were referred to the **Committee on Conference Relations**.

Tenth Question.—The tenth question of the General Minutes was called, "*What Local Preachers have been Elected Deacons?*" and Ben-

son B. Brooks, having passed a satisfactory examination, and being commended by his Presiding Elder, was elected to **Deacon's Orders**.

Sixteenth Question.—The sixteenth question of the General Minutes, "*What Local Deacons have been Elected Elders?*" was taken up, and after the usual Disciplinary proceedings, the following named brethren were duly elected Elders: Wm. D. Sanford, Isaac W. Clinger and Anderson Workman.

Twentieth Question.—The twentieth question of the General Minutes was resumed, and L. L. Stewart, Presiding Elder of Clarksburg District, was called, whereupon E. H. Orwen, in behalf of the preachers of the District, in a short but well-timed speech, presented a fine cane to the Elder as an expression of the high esteem in which he was held by the preachers over whom he had presided; to which Bro. Stewart replied in words of appreciation. Upon the passage of his character he proceeded to represent his District. He reported 900 conversions and 800 accessions during the year. While there were slight deficiencies in the salaries of the preachers and a decrease in benevolent collections, the spiritual condition of the District was good. One church had been built during the year, and others repaired. The following Effective Elders, upon the passage of their characters, reported their benevolent collections: W. D. Carrico, D. S. Hammond, Dr. G. Martin, D. L. Ash, E. H. Orwen, C. J. Trippett, B. F. Rogers, H. J. Boatman, L. W. Roberts, and A. S. Loveall.

Guyandotte District.—S. B. D. Prickitt, Presiding Elder, was called, and there being nothing against him, proceeded to read an interesting account of his District. There had been during the year 600 conversions and accessions. Reported a falling off in benevolent collections and preachers' salaries, but church and parsonage property was in good condition. The following Effective Elders were called, their characters passed and collections reported: J. T. Davis, L. H. Jordan, N. C. Beckley, and Benj. Darlington.

Morgantown District.—D. H. K. Dix, Presiding Elder, was called and his character passed. At this point, W. R. White, representing the preachers of the District, presented to Bro. Dix a handsome pair of gold spectacles, for which Bro. Dix expressed his thanks. He then proceeded to represent his District. Preachers were at their work in time and worked faithfully. Benevolent collections were good and the salaries about as last year. The spiritual condition of the District was reported as encouraging. The characters of the following Effec-

tive Elders were passed, and their collections reported: John Conwell, J. C. Rexroad, A. Stevens, Joseph Lee, T. H. Trainer, J. B. Feather, R. S. Welch, D. Cool, A. J. Lyda, T. W. Chidester, Clark Crawford, and W. R. White.

New River District.—R. H. Hughes, Presiding Elder, was then called and his character passed. He represented his District as rich in timber and minerals, which promise, in the future, a vast revenue. The preachers reached their work in good time, and labored earnestly and faithfully. Two (2) churches have been dedicated and five more approaching completion. The salaries of preachers and benevolent collections somewhat below those of last year, by reason of general financial depression. The names of the following **Effective Elders** were called, their characters passed, and their collections reported: Levi Cross and G. H. Williams.

Oakland District.—C. H. Lakin, Presiding Elder, upon the passage of his character, represented his District as in good spiritual condition. Five hundred (500) conversions, and five hundred and seventy-five (575) united with the church. Throughout the entire District there is felt a universal desire for a richer and deeper religious experience. There has been a slight increase in salaries of preachers and benevolent collections. Built and dedicated one church, free of debt, and two others are nearing completion. Several churches and parsonages in the District have been repaired and various debts liquidated. The Sunday School work is prospering in almost every Charge in the District. D. Flanagan, N. L. Baumgardner, M. W. Rider, E. C. Woodruff, J. W. Bedford, G. Rogers, A. D. Perry, and F. G. W. Ford, Effective Elders, were called, their characters passed, and their collections reported.

Parkersburg District.—Dr. J. L. Clark represented this District, in the absence of Geo. C. Wilding, who was transferred to Central Illinois Conference. General prosperity was reported, and all the interests of the church looked after. The financial depression has been felt throughout the District, but the preachers were found at their posts, and worked faithfully. The benevolent collections were a little below those of last year, but the spiritual condition was good. H. H. Miles, N. Pribble, T. B. Hughes, A. Mick, L. D. King, F. H. J. King, J. F. Chenoweth, W. H. Cooper and M. Taylor, upon the passage of their characters, reported their collections. J. W. Lambert was announced as transferred to the Iowa Conference.

Wheeling District.—Geo. E. Hite, Presiding Elder, was called, and his character passed. He represented his District as suffering greatly because of the depression in manufacturing and agricultural interests. The spiritual condition was very encouraging. Five hundred conversions and accessions. The preachers' salaries were generally paid, and the benevolent collections good. The following Effective Elders were called, and, upon the passage of their characters, reported their collections: C. J. Price, G. R. Copeland, W. E. Loomis, A. B. Rohrbaugh, H. C. Sanford, J. W. Griffiths, Spencer King, W. J. Sharps, Benj. Ison, C. S. Allemong, Thomas Cotton, J. E. Smith, S. E. Jones, and J. H. Hess.

Supernumerary Relation.—G. R. Copeland, on motion of Geo. E. Hite, was granted a **Supernumerary Relation**.

Secretary's Report.—At this juncture, the Secretary announced that he had certain papers from Geo. C. Wilding, the former Secretary of West Virginia Conference. The Secretary was ordered to read the same to the Conference.

The financial report of the Secretary was then presented, which was accepted, and, upon motion of J. L. Clark, all moneys were turned over to the **Permanent Fund**, except \$25.00, which was reserved to meet expenses of the Secretary.

Introductions.—John D. Knox, of Kansas Conference; Prof. James A. Brown, of Wheeling Female College, and Franklin Ball, D. D., of Central New York Conference, were introduced.

Special Session.—The time having arrived for the special session, on motion of S. E. Jones, the Statistical Secretary was appointed to receive statistics; T. B. Hughes, to receive money for the Stewards; Drs. Lyda and Steele, to receive the Centennial Collection, and the Conference Treasurer, all other moneys. The roll was called, and reports received.

On motion of S. B. D. Prickitt, a lay Steward from each District was invited to assist the Stewards of the Conference in their work.

Introduction.—Joseph Horner, of the Pittsburgh Depository, was introduced to the Conference, and represented the interests of the Book Concern and the *Pittsburgh Christian Advocate*.

A motion to adjourn was carried. The Doxology was sung, and the Benediction pronounced by S. Steele.

Third Day.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Sept. 26, 1885.

Devotional Services.—The devotional services began at 8:30 A. M., under the direction of Benj. Ison.

Conference opened promptly at 9 o'clock, with Bishop Stephen M. Merrill in the Chair.

Reading the Journal.—The Secretary read the minutes of yesterday's session, which were corrected and approved.

Eighteenth Question, "*Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*" was taken up, and the names of S. R. Dawson, R. L. Woodyard, Samuel Hitchens, E. D. W. King, M. McNeel, J. W. Hess, N. M. Sommerville, A. T. Morriston, R. M. Wallace and J. T. Carroll were called, their characters passed, and their present relations continued.

The characters of J. W. W. Bolton, J. F. Snodgrass and E. G. Harbert passed, and their relation was changed to **Effective**.

The names of Robert Laughlin and J. A. Williams being called, their characters passed, and their relation was changed to **Superannuates**.

F. N. Lynch was announced by the Bishop as transferred to North Ohio Conference.

The Fourteenth Question was resumed, namely, "*What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?*" and after the usual Disciplinary proceedings, Frederick Cottrill and Archibald Moore were elected Elders.

The name of Delorane Upton being called, the **Committee on Conference Relations** presented their report, and recommended that his character pass. His character was passed, and he was elected to Elder's orders.

J. A. Martin's name was called, and the Committee on Conference Relations presented their report, recommending that his character pass. His character was then passed, and he was located at his own request.

Leave of Absence was granted the Committee on Education, at the request of the Chairman, Dr. J. E. Smith.

Introductions.—The Revs. R. F. Randolph, of East Ohio Conference; N. L. Prince, of Cincinnati Conference, and Dr. C. W. Smith, of the *Pittsburgh Advocate*, were introduced.

The Fifth Question of the General Minutes, namely, "*Who are admitted into Full Connection?*" was called, and T. E. Galway, Geo. W. Kepler, D. F. Carder, G. W. Marston, C. W. Cox, E. R. Skidmore, W. H. Cooper and A. A. Nichols were called to the altar by the Bishop, who propounded the usual Disciplinary questions, which were answered by each member of the class in a satisfactory manner.

The class was then addressed by the Bishop at length on the nature and importance of their life-work, and especially upon the religious qualifications of a Methodist preacher, setting forth the importance of the *doctrine* and experience of Christian perfection, showing it to be the *doctrine* of the Church. He then set forth the difference between the *facts* of *Revelation* and the *philosophy* of those *facts*: The *first* to be the *objects* of faith, and the *second* to be beyond the compass of the human mind. Thus faith and knowledge go hand in hand in the domain of the *spiritual*. But there is *variety* in religious experience, and the *differences* in *belief* are more *apparent* than *real*. He then dwelt upon the danger of *premature profession*, clearly distinguishing between *Christian purity* and *Christian maturity*—or *perfection*. The perfection taught in the Bible, and taught by the M. E. Church, is the perfection of *love* in the *heart*, for "Love is the fulfilling of the law." He urged the importance of *complete consecration* to the work of the ministry; a strict adherence to the doctrines of the Church and the Rules of the Discipline; and then dwelt upon the extent and importance of the *pastoral work*.

On motion of J. W. Webb, the time of the session was extended 30 minutes.

These brethren, being duly represented by their Presiding Elders and the Examining Committee, were **admitted** into **full connection** and elected to Deacon's orders, except W. H. Cooper, who was an Elder, and A. A. Nichols, who was a Deacon.

Discontinued.—Upon motion of S. B. D. Prickitt, J. D. Keyser was discontinued.

Introduction.—Hon. E. M. Turner, President of West Virginia University, was introduced to the Conference, and proceeded to represent the interests of that institution.

By general consent, S. E. Jones called the delinquent list of Statistical reports.

Various announcements were made.

The list of appointments for to-morrow's services were read, and Conference being adjourned by limitation, the Doxology was sung, and the Benediction was pronounced by J. E. Smith.

Fourth Day.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Sept. 28, 1885.

Devotional Services began at 8:30 o'clock. The Conference was opened at 9 A. M. by A. J. Lyda, who read the third chapter of First Corinthians. A part of the first hymn was then sung, and the Conference engaged in prayer.

Journal.—The Journal of Saturday's session was read and approved.

Relief Fund.—The report of the committee, showing work done to help needy churches suffering from the great flood, was read by Geo. E. Hite. It was ordered to be printed in the Minutes.

Triers of Appeals.—On motion of J. W. Webb, the Presiding Elders were instructed to nominate the **Triers of Appeals**.

Nineteenth Question was called, namely, "*Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*" and D. A. McGinnis, John Birkett, R. L. Brooks, D. S. Benedum, J. B. West, R. Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. N. Eckess, J. W. Reger, C. Conner, J. S. Laughlin, Robt. Brooks, J. J. Dolliver, B. Hagar, V. Sanford, G. Crossfield, L. E. Leslie, H. Scott, Wm. Wriston, characters passed, and they were continued in their present relation.

J. N. Eckess was requested to ask a location. W. H. Shaw was made Effective and A. L. Curtis a Supernumerary.

Thirty-Third Question, "*Where shall the next Conference be held?*" was called. Morgantown, Grafton and Parkersburg were nominated and represented. Morgantown was chosen as the place.

Second Question, "*Who are admitted on Trial?*" was called, and D. A. Denton, A. S. Arnett, J. P. McCormick, Wm. Rader, Geo. C. Shaw, Chas. E. Shaw, Dexter B. Orr, Wm. J. Scott, Geo. E. Ward, and S. Eli Jones were, after the usual proceedings, admitted on trial.

On motion of A. J. Lyda, the time was extended.

First Question was called, "*Who are received by Transfer and from what Conference?*" Answer.—J. C. Hull, from South Kansas Conference; R. F. Randolph, from East Ohio Conference, and W. G. Matton, from the Blue Ridge Conference.

Seventh Question.—"Who are received on Credentials from other Churches"? being called, Blackburn B. Evans, from the Methodist Protestant Church, was presented by C. H. Lakin, P. E., of the Oakland District. After answering satisfactorily the usual Disciplinary Questions, he was admitted into full connection, and placed in the list of Elders.

C. W. Smith, editor of the *Pittsburgh Advocate*, addressed the Conference in behalf of that paper.

Memorial Service.—On motion of D. H. K. Dix, a memorial service was appointed for 2:30 P. M. Dr. Lyda was appointed to preside.

Announcements were made. A motion to adjourn carried. Doxology sung. Benediction by C. H. Lakin.

Afternoon Session.

Conference was called to order promptly at 2:30 P. M., with Dr. A. J. Lyda in the Chair.

Devotional Services conducted by J. W. W. Bolton.

Committee on Memoirs.—The report of the Committee on Memoirs was presented, or so much of it as related to Mrs. Mary E. Davis.

On motion of S. Steele, the memoir was ordered to be incorporated in the Minutes. The second item was called for. The memoir of D. M. Heaston was then read. On motion of S. Steele, the report was adopted, and the memoir of D. M. Heaston was ordered to be incorporated in the Minutes and a copy sent to the friends of the deceased. Remarks appropriate to the occasion were made by L. D. King, W. R. White, S. Steele, W. W. Kelley, G. Rogers, C. J. Price, singing interspersed. The service concluded with singing: "Oh! how sweet it will be in that beautiful land," etc.

Educational Report.—The Committee on Education presented their report, which was read by S. Steele.

J. E. Smith presented the interests of Mt. Union and Beaver Colleges.

Ohio Wesleyan presented its Annual Report. The report was then adopted.

Conference Treasurer presented his report. He was instructed to add certain sums not included in the original. On motion the report was adopted.

On motion of S. Steele, the money collected for Freedmen's Aid Society was ordered to be retained for the cause of Education in West Virginia.

Conference Stewards.—The report of the Conference Stewards was presented and read by J. Engle. The report was adopted, and the distribution of funds made by the Stewards.

Various Reports.—Reports from the Trustees of North West Virginia Academy, Committee on the Observance of the Sabbath, Committee on Parsonages and Furniture, Committee on Freedmen's Aid, Committee to Audit Presiding Elders' Accounts, Committee on Periodicals and Book Accounts, Committee on District Conference Journals, were presented and adopted.

Resolution in reference to loans from the Permanent Fund, requiring all applications to be made in writing to the Trustees, and no loans to be made without their approval, was passed.

On motion, the Conference adjourned, to meet at 8:30 P. M.

Doxology was sung, and Benediction pronounced by W. R. White.

Evening Session.

Conference assembled at 8:30; opened with prayer by S. Steele. The Journal of the morning and afternoon sessions of Monday was read and adopted.

The report of the **Treasurer** of the Educational Fund, and of the Permanent Fund, was read and received.

The Statistical Secretary announced that he was ready to report, and by order of the Conference the report was read by Districts, giving totals in each District. The report was then received.

Change of Relations.—W. G. Matton, E. C. Woodruff, E. Ford and D. H. K. Dix were granted a Supernumerary relation.

On motion of G. E. Hite, the Secretary was instructed to write Bro. Ford and request him to ask for a Certificate of Location.

The relation of A. L. Curtis was changed from Supernumerary to Effective, and G. W. Matheny was granted a Superannuated relation at his own request.

J. B. Tope, D. Flanagan, and D. Upton, were located at their own request.

Question Seventh, "*Who are received on credentials from other Churches ?*" was called. Newton J. Lowther, of the Methodist Protestant Church, was presented to the Conference, and after answering satisfactorily the usual Disciplinary Questions, he was admitted into full connection, and his orders recognized, and he was placed in the list of Effective Elders.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was presented, read by the chairman, W. R. White, and was adopted.

The Committee on Sunday Schools and Tracts presented their report. It was, on motion of Dr. Bolton, adopted, a separate vote being taken.

The Secretary of the Committee on Missions read the report, setting forth the apportionments to the various Charges in the respective Districts. The report was adopted.

The name of Okey J. Moore was called ; a communication from him was read by the Secretary. His character passed, and, on motion, he was left without an appointment to attend Drew Theological Seminary.

R. E. Woodruff's name was called. He was left without an appointment to attend Ohio Wesleyan University.

The Committee on Missionary Cause presented their report, after the reading of which it was adopted.

A. J. Lyda made a statement in reference to the Ward bequest.

Thirtieth Question was called, "*What are the claims on the Conference Fund ?*" Answer, \$3,000.00.

Thirty-first Question.—"What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied ?

Answer, \$1,559.00, which has been distributed according to the direction of the Conference.

On motion, the Conference adjourned, to meet Tuesday morning at 8 : 30 o'clock.

J. W. Webb was appointed to open the Conference.

Doxology was sung ; Benediction pronounced by Dr. Ball.

Fifth Day.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Sept. 29, 1885.

Conference opened at 9:15 A. M., Bishop Merrill in the Chair.

Devotional Services were conducted by H. H. Miles.

Journal.—The Journal of Monday night's session was read and approved.

Ordinations.—The Certificate of Ordinations was presented by the Bishop.

A. T. Morriston's relation was changed from Supernumerary to Effective.

A. Moore was left without appointment to attend Ohio Wesleyan University.

The Treasurer of the Educational Fund was directed to loan A. Moore \$150.00; J. Engle, \$50.00, and Okey J. Moore, \$100.00, from that fund.

The Conference Board of Church Extension was nominated and elected.

The Triers of Appeals were announced by the Bishop and confirmed by the Conference.

The Committees on Examination were nominated and elected.

Conference Sermon.—W. E. Loomis was appointed to preach the Conference Sermon. J. H. Hess, alternate.

The report of the Committee on Conference Seminary was taken from the table, read and adopted.

On motion of S. B. D. Prickitt, the Board of Control was instructed to appoint the agents for the Conference Seminary.

The Financial Report of the Treasurer on Centennial Fund was read and received.

The Committee on Bible cause presented their report. W. R. Long addressed the Conference. The report was adopted.

The Board of Control of the Centennial Fund was authorized to elect a Treasurer in place of D. H. K. Dix, who is to leave for Iowa.

The Exhibit of the Book Committee and Book Concern, was received and placed on file.

Complimentary Resolutions respecting D. H. K. Dix, Geo. C. Wilding, Bishop Merrill, the good people of Charleston, steamboats and railroads, Pastors and Trustees of sister Churches, and to the brethren who have removed by transfer, were adopted.

Fraternal Message from the U. B. Church was received. The Secretary was instructed to make suitable reply.

A paper explaining C. B. Graham's expenditure of money received from the Pumphrey Fund to build parsonage at Hartford City, was read.

A collection for the Secretary amounting to \$11.59, and one for the janitor amounting to \$7.19, was taken.

Dr. J. A. Fullerton was made a life member of the American Bible Society.

On motion, the Treasurer of Centennial Fund was authorized to draw on the Treasurer of the Freedmen's Aid Society for the funds due the Conference as per agreement last year.

The Treasurer of the Conference Educational Society was instructed to secure the return of the funds belonging to this Conference, which had been paid over by mistake.

There being no other business, a motion, that after the appointments were read, the Conference adjourn *sine die*, was carried.

The Bishop addressed the Conference at length, read the appointments, and Conference adjourned.

W. G. RHELDAFFER, *Secretary*.

STEPHEN M. MERRILL, *President*.



Special Services.

Wednesday Evening.

A Sermon was preached by W. G. Riheldaffer.

Thursday Evening.

The Conference Sermon was preached by R. H. Hughes.

Friday Afternoon.

The Sunday School Anniversary was held, addresses were delivered by Frank Woods, Esq., and Rev. W. R. White.

Friday Evening.

The Missionary Sermon was preached by C. J. Price.

Saturday Afternoon.

Lecture on "Recent Discoveries in Bible Lands," by F. S. De Hass, D. D.

Saturday Evening.

Anniversary of Conference Historical Society. Addresses by Hon. H. C. McWhorter and W. R. White.

Sunday Morning.

At 9 o'clock the Love Feast was conducted by D. H. K. Dix. At 10:30 Bishop Merrill preached to an immense audience.

Sabbath Afternoon.

Ordination of Deacons and Elders.

Sunday Evening.

Rev. Joseph E. Smith preached to a large audience.

Monday Afternoon.

A Memorial Service was held in memory of D. M. Heaston and Mrs. Mary A. Davis, wife of Rev. J. T. Davis.

Monday Evening.

J. E. Smith delivered a lecture on "Woman, a Political Factor in Politics."

Disciplinary Questions.

Question 1.—"Who are received by transfer, and from what Conference?"

Answer.—James C. Hull, from the South Kansas Conference; R. F. Randolph, from the East Ohio Conference; W. G. Matton, from the Blue Ridge Conference.

Question 2.—"Who are admitted on Trial?"

Answer.—Amos S. Arnett, Douglass H. Denton, S. Eli Jones, James P. McCormick, Dexter B. Orr, William Rader, Wm. J. Scott, Charles E. Shaw, George C. Shaw, George E. Ward.

Question 3.—"Who remain on Trial?"

Answer.—Sanford P. Archer, Chas. F. Bollinger, Chas. E. Clark, Lorenzo D. Haines, Taylor Richmond, Wm. P. Weekly.

Question 4.—"Who are discontinued?"

Answer.—James D. Keyser.

Question 5.—"Who are admitted into full connection?"

Answer.—Thos. E. Galway, Columbus W. Cox, Geo. W. Kepler, Elijah R. Skidmore, Wm. H. Cooper, David F. Carder, Geo. W. Marston, Alderson A. Nichols.

Question 6.—"Who are re-admitted?"

Answer.—None.

Question 7.—"Who are received on credentials from other churches?"

Answer.—Blackburn B. Evans and Newton J. Lowther, from the Methodist Protestant Church.

Question 8.—"What Traveling Preachers have been elected Deacons?"

Answer.—Thomas E. Galway, Columbus W. Cox, Geo. W. Kepler, Elijah R. Skidmore, David F. Carder, Geo. W. Marston.

Question 9.—"What Traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons?"

Answer.—Thomas E. Galway, Columbus W. Cox, Geo. W. Kepler, Elijah R. Skidmore, David F. Carder, Geo. W. Marston.

Question 10.—"What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?"

Answer.—Benson B. Brooks.

Question 11.—"What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?"

Answer.—Benson B. Brooks.

Question 12.—"Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?"

Answer.—Thomas E. Galway, W. H. Cooper, Columbus W. Cox, Geo. W. Kepler, Elijah R. Skidmore, David F. Carder, Geo. W. Marston, Robt. E. Woodruff, Alderson A. Nichols.

Question 13.—"Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?"

Answer.—David A. Friend, Watson R. Hennon, Richard B. Ward, Silas D. Tamblyn, Perry C. Mays, James S. Boreman, N. M. Sommerville.

Question 14.—"What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?"

Answer.—Milliard F. Dryden, Clinton B. Meredith, Frederick Cottrill, Wm. Hunter, Geo. W. Grimes, Archibald Moore, Lorenzo D. Bryan, Delorane Upton.

Question 15.—"What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?"

Answer.—M. F. Dryden, C. B. Meredith, Fred. Cottrill, Wm. Hunter, Geo. W. Grimes, Archibald Moore, L. D. Bryan, D. Upton.

Question 16.—"What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?"

Answer.—W. D. Sanford, I. W. Clinger, A. Workman.

Question 17.—"What Local Deacons have been ordained Elders?"

Answer.—W. D. Sanford, I. W. Clinger, A. Workman.

Question 18.—"Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?"

Answer.—G. R. Copeland, J. T. Carroll, S. R. Dawson, D. H. K. Dix, E. Ford, John W. Hess, S. Hitchens, E. D. W. King, M. McNeel, W. G. Matton, N. M. Sommerville, R. M. Wallace, E. C. Woodruff, R. L. Woodyard.

Question 19.—"Who are the Superannuated Preachers?"

Answer.—D. S. Benedum, John Birkett, Robt. Brooks, R. L.

Brooks, C. Conner, A. Dixon, J. J. Dolliver, J. N. Eckess, B. Hagar, Robt. Laughlin, J. S. Laughlin, L. E. Leslie, G. W. Matheny, R. Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. W. Reger, V. Sanford, H. Scott, J. B. West, W. Wriston, J. A. Williams.

Question 20.—"Was the character of each Preacher examined?"

Answer.—Yes. This was strictly done, as the name of each Preacher was called in open Conference.

Question 21.—"Have any died?"

Answer. David M. Heaston. (See memoir.)

Question 22.—"Have any been transferred, and to what Conference?"

Answer.—Geo. C. Wilding, to Central Illinois Conference; Thomas B. Hughes and J. Wm. Lambert, to the Iowa Conference; Wm. B. Trevey, to the Erie Conference; J. E. Smith, to the Genesee Conference; W. W. King and F. N. Lynch, to the North Ohio Conference; J. W. Griffiths, to South Kansas Conference.

Question 23.—"Have any withdrawn?"

Answer.—None.

Question 24.—"Have any been located at their own request?"

Answer.—J. B. Tope, D. Flannagan, D. Upton, J. A. Martin.

Question 25.—"Have any been located?"

Answer.—None.

Question 26.—"Have any been permitted to withdraw under charges?"

Answer.—None.

Question 27.—"Have any been expelled?"

Answer.—None.

Question 28.—"Who are selected to be the Triers of Appeals?"

Answer.—A. J. Lyda, J. A. Fullerton, C. Warman, W. R. White, S. B. D. Prickitt, M. W. Rider, J. L. Clark.

Question 29.—What is the Statistical Report for this Conference year?"

<i>Answer.</i> —Probationers,	2,387
Members,	32,928
Local Preachers,	225

(See Statistical Tables.) Total, 35,530

Question 30.—"What are the claims on the Conference Fund?"

Answer.—Amount estimated for the needs of Conference Claimants and Widows, \$3,000.

Question 31.—"What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied?" \$1,559.00.

Answer.—See Steward's report.

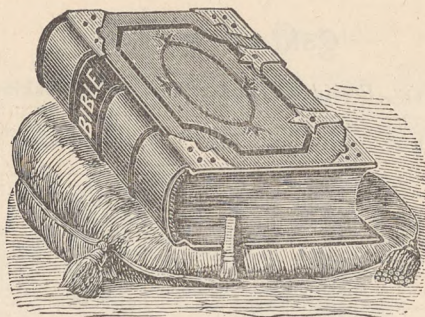
Question 32.—"Where are the Preachers stationed?"

Answer.—See Appointments.

Question 33.—"Where shall the next Conference be held?"

Answer.—Morgantown.





Appointments of Preachers.

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Morgantown District.

J. F. CHENOWETH, *Presiding Elder.* Post Office, Palatine, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
2	Arnettsville.....	3	John Conwell.....	Palatine.....	Marion.....	W. Va.
3	Blacksville.....	1	T. H. Trainer.....	Blacksville.....	Monongalia.....	"
4	Burton.....	2	Asby Stevens.....	Burton.....	Wetzel.....	"
5	Grafton.....	1	S. B. D. Prickitt.....	Grafton.....	Taylor.....	"
6	Halleck.....	2	R. S. Welch.....	Gladesville.....	Preston.....	"
7	Jollytown.....	2	D. Cool.....	Jollytown.....	Green.....	Penn.
8	".....		One to be supplied.....	".....	".....	"
9	Kingwood.....		E. H. Orwen.....	Kingwood.....	Preston.....	W. Va.
10	Knottsville.....	2	T. W. Chidester.....	Knottsville.....	Taylor.....	"
11	Masontown.....	2	J. S. Boreman.....	Masontown.....	Preston.....	"
12	Monongalia.....	1	J. C. Rexroad.....	Maidsville.....	Monongalia.....	"
13	Morgantown.....	3	C. Crawford.....	Morgantown.....	".....	"
14	Morgantown Circuit.....	2	J. B. Feather.....	".....	".....	"
15	Palatine.....	1	F. G. W. Ford.....	Palatine.....	".....	"
16	".....		One to be supplied.....	".....	".....	"

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Wheeling District.

GEO. E. HITE, *Presiding Elder.* Post Office, Wheeling, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
18	Benwood.....	2	C. J. Price.....	Benwood.....	Marshall.....	W. Va.
19	Cameron.....	2	Benj. Ison.....	Cameron.....	".....	"
20	Dallas.....	1	C. S. Allemong.....	Dallas.....	".....	"
21	Greene.....	1	L. D. Haines.....	Bannan.....	".....	"
22	Fulton.....	1	D. A. Denton.....	Fulton.....	Ohio.....	"
23	Marshall.....	2	W. J. Sharpes.....	Moundsville.....	Marshall.....	"
24	Moundsville.....	1	L. L. Stewart.....	".....	".....	"
25	Moundsville Circuit.....	1	H. C. Sanford.....	".....	".....	"
26	New Martinsville.....	1	D. S. Hammond.....	New Marti'sville.....	Wetzel.....	"
27	New Martinsville Circuit.....		Robt. Davisson(sup.).....	Proctor.....	".....	"
28	Pleasant Valley.....	1	A. L. Curtis.....	Limestone.....	Marshall.....	"
29	Short Creek and Liberty.....	1	J. W. W. Bolton.....	West Liberty.....	Ohio.....	"
30	Triadelphia.....	2	Thos. Cotton.....	Triadelphia.....	".....	"
31	Chapline St—Wheeling.....	1	J. C. Hull.....	Wheeling.....	Ohio.....	"
32	Fourth St., ".....	1	R. F. Randolph.....	".....	".....	"
33	North St., ".....	1	M. F. Dryden.....	".....	".....	"
34	Thomson Ch., ".....	3	S. E. Jones.....	".....	".....	"
35	Wesley ".....	2	S. King.....	".....	".....	"
36	Zane St., ".....	2	J. H. Hess.....	".....	".....	"

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Oakland District.

C. H. LAKIN, *Presiding Elder*. Post Office, Oakland, Md.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Yeat.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
38	Albrightsville.....	3	D. A. Friend	Albright.....	Preston.....	W. Va.
39	Brandonville.....	1	L. W. Roberts.....	Brandonville.....	"	"
40	Cranesville.....	1	D. B. Orr	Cranesville.....	"	"
41	Deer Park.....	2	J. W. Bedford.....	Deer Park.....	Garrett	Md.
42	Evansville.....	3	N. L. Baumgardner..	Evansville.....	Preston	W. Va.
43	Grantsville.....	2	S. P. Archer.....	Grantsville.....	Garrett.....	Md.
44	Hamilton.....	1	To be supplied.....	Hamilton	Grant.....	W. Va.
45	Newburg.....	1	B. B. Evans.....	Newburg.....	Preston.....	"
46	Oakland.....	1	Jere Engle.....	Oakland.....	Garrett.....	Md.
47	Pleasant Grove.....	1	Henson Ward, (sup.)	Sinclair.....	Preston.....	W. Va.
48	Randolph Mission	1	A. D. Perry.....	Red Creek.....	Tucker.....	"
49	Rowlesburg.....	1	A. S. Arnett.....	Rowlesburg.....	Preston.....	"
50	Selbysport & Johnstown	1	W. P. Weekly.....	Friendsville.....	Garrett.....	Md.
51	St. George and Aurora...	1		St. George.....	Tucker.....	W. Va.

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Clarksburg District.

JOSEPH LEE, *Presiding Elder*. Post Office, Clarksburg, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Yeat.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
53	Bridgeport	1	G. Martin	Fairmont.....	Marion.....	W. Va.
54	Cherry Camp.....	1	M. Taylor	Cherry Camp.....	Harrison.....	"
55	Clarksburg.....	1	L. D. King	Clarksburg.....	"	"
56	Fairmont.....	1	A. B. Rohrbaugh.....	Fairmont.....	Marion.....	"
57	Logansport.....	1	Taylor Richmond.....	Logansport.....	"	"
58	Lumberport.....	2	A. S. Loveall.....	Lumberport.....	Harrison.....	"
59	Mannington.....	2	C. J. Trippett.....	Mannington.....	Marion.....	"
60	Marion.....	1	W. D. Carrio.....	Barracksville.....	"	"
61	Pine Grove.....	1	To be sup. by S. Harris	Pine Grove.....	Wetzel.....	"
62	Pruntytown.....	1	J. W. Webb.....	Pruntytown.....	Taylor.....	"
63	Smithton.....	2	B. F. Rogers.....	Smithton.....	Doddridge.....	"
64	Salam.....	1	James McCormick.....	Salam.....	Harrison.....	"
65	West Milford.....	3	H. J. Boatman.....	West Milford.....	"	"
66	Wilsonburg.....	1	B. D. Mahone.....	Wilsonburg.....	"	"
67	Worthington.....	1	W. R. White.....	Worthington.....	Marion.....	"
68	Quiet Dell.....	1	G. Rogers.....	Quiet Dell.....	Harrison.....	"

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Buckhannon District.

W. G. RHELDAFFER, *Presiding Elder*. Post Office, Buckhannon, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Yeat.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
70	Belington.....	1	W. E. Lovett	Buckhannon.....	Upshur.....	W. Va.
71	Beverly.....	2	Fred. Cottrill.....	Beverly.....	Randolph ..	"
72	Buckhannon Station.....	2	Samuel Steele.....	Buckhannon.....	Upshur.....	"
73	Buckhannon Circuit.....	1	C. Warman.....	Peck's Run.....	"	"
74	Canaan.....	2	C. W. Cox	Rock Cave.....	"	"
75	Freemansburg	2	S. D. Tamblin.....	Freemansburg ..	Lewis.....	"
76	Frenchton.....	2	C. W. Upton.....	Rock Cave.....	Upshur.....	"
77	Gladys.....	1	E. R. Skidmore.....	Rock Cave.....	"	"
78	Glenville.....	1	N. L. Prince, (sup.)...	Glenville.....	Gilmer.....	"
79	Philippi.....	1	C. B. Graham.....	Philippi.....	Barbour.....	"
80	South Buckhannon.....	1	Cyrus Poling.....	Buckhannon.....	Upshur.....	"
81	Sutton.....	1	G. H. Williams.....	Braxton C. H.....	Braxton.....	"
82	Troy.....	1	C. B. Meredith.....	Troy.....	Gilmer.....	"
83	Webster.....	1	B. B. Brooks, (sup.)...	Addison.....	Webster.....	"
84	Weston.....	1	D. L. Ash.....	Weston.....	Lewis.....	"

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*Parkersburg District.*J. A. FULLERTON, *Presiding Elder.* Post Office, Parkersburg, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
86	Belleville.....	2	H. H. Miles.....	Belleville.....	Wood.....	W. Va.
87	Centreville.....	1	D. F. Carder.....	Ripleys.....	Tyler.....	"
88	Elizabeth.....	1	John Norris.....	Wirt C. H.....	Wirt.....	"
89	Ellenboro.....	2	G. W. Grimes.....	Ellenboro.....	Ritchie.....	"
90	Harrisville.....	1	A. Mick.....	Ritchie C. H.....	".....	"
91	Middlebourne.....	2	F. H. J. King.....	Middlebourne.....	Tyler.....	"
92	Parkersburg.....	1	W. E. Loomis.....	Parkersburg.....	Wood.....	"
93	Parkersburg Circuit.....	1	W. W. Kelly.....	".....	".....	"
94	Pleasants.....	1	J. F. Snodgrass.....	Horse Neck.....	Pleasants.....	"
95	Sistersville.....	1	N. J. Lowther.....	Sistersville.....	Tyler.....	"
96	Shiloh.....	3	W. H. Cooper.....	".....	".....	"
97	Smithville.....	1	J. A. Dixon.....	Smithville.....	Ritchie.....	"
98	Valley Mills.....	1	S. Eli Jones.....	Valley Mills.....	Wood.....	"
99	Volcano.....	2	C. F. Bollinger.....	Volcano.....	".....	"
100	West Union.....	1	C. E. Clark.....	West Union.....	Doddridge.....	"
101	Williamstown.....	1	J. L. Clark.....	Williamstown.....	Wood.....	"

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*Charleston District.*J. M. WARDEN, *Presiding Elder.* Post Office, Charleston, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
103	Charleston.....	1	A. J. Lyda.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha.....	W. Va.
104	Charleston Ct.....	1	T. P. Ryan.....	Young's Mills.....	".....	"
105	Clifton and Mason.....	1	G. W. Kepler.....	Clifton.....	Mason.....	"
106	East Charleston.....	1	E. G. Harbert.....	Jordon.....	Kanawha.....	"
107	Hartford City.....	1	Thomas E. Galway.....	Hartford City.....	Mason.....	"
108	Letart and Leon.....	1	G. W. Marston.....	Leon.....	".....	"
109	Malden.....	1	N. C. Beckley.....	Malden.....	Kanawha.....	"
110	Mill Creek.....	..	M. W. Atkinson (sup.)	Fisher's Point.....	Jackson.....	"
111	Point Pleasant.....	1	R. B. Ward.....	Point Pleasant.....	Mason.....	"
112	Raymond City.....	..	W. W. Burton (sup.)..	Frazier's Bottom.....	".....	"
113	Ravenswood.....	1	U. Pribble.....	Ravenswood.....	Jackson.....	"
114	Ripley.....	..	E. D. W. King (sup.)..	Jackson C. H.....	".....	"
115	Sandyville.....	..	G. M. Grose (sup.)..	Lockharts.....	".....	"
116	Spencer.....	1	C. R. Shackelford.....	Spencer.....	Roane.....	"
117	Walton.....	..	J. J. White (sup.).....	Loonyville.....	".....	"

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*Guyandotte District.*M. M. RIDER, *Presiding Elder.* Post Office, Huntington, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
119	Barboursville.....	1	Chas. E. Shaw.....	Barboursville.....	Cabell.....	W. Va.
120	Cassville.....	..	C. W. Myers (sup.)..	Fort Gay.....	Wayne.....	"
121	Ceredo.....	1	W. A. Cheuvront.....	Ceredo.....	".....	"
122	Coal River.....	..	To be supplied.....	Peytona.....	Boone.....	"
123	East Hamlin.....	..	To be supplied.....	Hamlin.....	Lincoln.....	"
124	Fairfields.....	1	W. H. Shaw.....	Fairfields.....	Kanawha.....	"
125	Guyandotte.....	1	Wm. Rader.....	Guyandotte.....	Cabell.....	"
126	Hamlin.....	2	J. T. Davis.....	Hamlin.....	Lincoln.....	"
127	Huntington.....	2	L. H. Jordan.....	Huntington.....	Cabell.....	"
128	Laurel.....	..	To be supplied.....	Cove Gap.....	Wayne.....	"
129	Monticello.....	..	..	Beech Hill.....	Mason.....	"
130	St. Albans.....	1	Geo. C. Shaw.....	St. Albans.....	Kanawha.....	"
131	Wayne.....	1	B. Darlington.....	Elm Ford.....	Wayne.....	"
132	Winfield.....	1	S. C. Loomis.....	Winfield.....	Putnam.....	"

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*New River District.*R. H. HUGHES, *Presiding Elder.* Post Office, Raleigh C. H., W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Cent.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
134	Boone.....	1	Geo. E. Ward.....	Hewitt.....	Boone.....	W. Va.
135	Clay.....	2	W. P. Quinn (sup.)...	Clay C. H.....	Clay.....	"
136	Concord.....	2	P. C. Mays.....	Concord.....	Mercer.....	"
137	Elk River.....	2	Levi Cross.....	Newton.....	Roane.....	"
138	Fayette.....	1	L. D. Bryan.....	Cotton Hill.....	Fayette.....	"
139	Flat Top.....	1	To be supplied.....	Shady Springs.....	Raleigh.....	"
140	Hinchmans.....	1	W. R. Hennon.....	Bald Knob.....	Boone.....	"
141	Logan.....	1	To be supplied.....	Cow Creek.....	Logan.....	"
142	Mountain Cove.....	2	Wm. Hunter.....	Leander.....	Fayette.....	"
143	Nicholas.....	1	A. T. Morriston.....	Keslers X Lanes.....	Nicholas.....	"
144	Ophelia.....	1	J. Adamson (sup.)...	Ophelia.....	".....	"
145	Oceana.....	1	Thos. Parris (sup.)...	Oceana.....	".....	"
146	Pleasant Retreat.....	1	Geo. W. Carder (sup.)...	Pleasant Retreat.....	Clay.....	"
147	Quinimont and Hinton.....	1	W. J. Scott.....	Stone Cliff.....	Fayette.....	"
148	Raleigh.....	2	A. A. Nichols.....	Raleigh C. H.....	Raleigh.....	"

149. Moore, Okey J., Madison, N. J.

150. Moore, Archibald, Delaware, Ohio.

151. Woodruff, R. E., Delaware, Ohio.

These were left without appointment to attend school.



Reports of Committees.

Education.

The Committee on Education is pleased to report a growing interest among our people on the subject of increased facilities for higher educational advantages in connection with our Church in West Virginia. As a Conference, we have not done our duty, taking our wealth and numbers into consideration, to our young people, in providing for their educational wants. We hope the day is not far distant when we will have all the advantages enjoyed by other Conferences of our Church, as initiatory steps are being taken with this object in view.

After a careful examination of letters, reports and catalogues from the various institutions of learning with which our Conference is identified, we rejoice at the many indications of real progress in all departments of educational work.

ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

Still retains its popularity under the successful administration of Dr. D. H. Wheeler, and is every way worthy of our support and patronage. We recommend the appointment of Revs. S. E. Jones, Joseph Lee and W. R. White as a Visiting Committee. The Board of Control of last year is hereby appointed.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

Needs no recommendation from us. Our people know its advantages, and we recommend it heartily to their patronage.

We recommend the appointment of Rev. E. H. Orwen as trustee, in place of Rev. W. R. White, whose term expires in June, 1886, and we recommend the appointment of Revs. Geo. E. Hite, C. Crawford and L. H. Jordan, as visitors.

MOUNT UNION COLLEGE.

This flourishing institution of learning, with its popular plan of a thorough education for both sexes, and its high moral and religious culture, invite increased patronage. We heartily commend the effort now being made to increase the endowment, to the liberal and wealthy members of our church, as Mt. Union has done more for the educa-

tion of the young of our State, than any other institution identified with our Conference. We recommend the appointment for a Committee of Supervision, Dr. T. H. Logan, H. K. List and C. D. Hubbard, Esqs., and Samuel Steele, D. D., and Revs. J. A. Fullerton, D. D., and L. L. Stewart, for a Visiting Committee.

BEAVER COLLEGE AND MUSICAL INSTITUTE

Is beautifully situated in the Ohio Valley, between the flourishing cities of Pittsburgh and Wheeling. It possesses rare opportunities of musical and mental culture. The faculty ought to have greater encouragement from the families of our State.

We recommend the appointment of Rev. J. M. Warden, A. J. Lyda, D. D., and J. H. Hess, as visitors.

PITTSBURGH FEMALE COLLEGE,

We are glad to learn, is flourishing, and deservedly popular with our people, and we recommend it heartily.

We recommend the appointment of Revs. Wm. E. Loomis, M. F. Dryden, and J. F. Chenoweth, as visitors.

DREW THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Are doing grand work for the Church, and we recommend all young men studying for the ministry to attend one of these institutions.

WHEELING FEMALE COLLEGE

Offers, in our opinion, superior advantages for the education of our daughters. It possesses a commodious building, complete with every modern convenience, is under the best religious influence, and is situated within the bounds of this Conference. We would therefore call the attention of our people to this institution as being in every respect worthy their confidence and influence. We would recommend it, therefore, to their patronage, and ask the appointment of Revs. C. Crawford, H. J. Boatman, and J. H. Hess, as visitors.

J. E. SMITH.

SAMUEL STEELE, Secretary.

Missionary Cause.

Your Committee on Missions respectfully submit the following report:

WHEREAS, The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ is the heaven-appointed and all-sufficient remedy for the world's salvation; and

WHEREAS, It is the special object of the Missionary Society to promulgate this glorious gospel in all lands, therefore,

Resolved, That we most earnestly and respectfully commend the Missionary Cause to the warmest sympathies, earnest prayers, and largest liberality of all our ministers and people. We furthermore respectfully urge all our pastors to preach on the subject of Missions, and take their Missionary collections at as early a period as practicable in the year, and do all they can to secure the amounts apportioned to their respective charges.

We earnestly hope and trust that all our pastors will see that all our Sabbath Schools are organized into Juvenile Missionary Societies, and that the Missionary literature of the Church be as fully circulated as possible in the schools and among all our young people.

We also respectfully suggest that the Presiding Elders look after any Missionary territory unoccupied, and supply the people with preaching.

Finally, we most earnestly and respectfully entreat all our Pastors to carry out the Disciplinary plan in regard to Missions, fully believing that the best results will thereby be secured. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN A. DIXON, Secretary.

F. H. J. KING, Chairman.

Northwestern Virginia Academy.

WHEREAS, The Charter of the Northwestern Virginia Academy prevents any church organization holding the right of control or property ownership in said institution; and

WHEREAS, No religious denomination, under said Charter, has the privilege of establishing at any time, in connection with the Academy, any theological school or professorship; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Conference ceases all further efforts for control and ownership of said institution, and also that the Board of Trustees appointed at the last session of our Conference be hereby discontinued.

A. J. LYDA, Chairman.

Memoirs.

MARY ELIZABETH DAVIS.

Mary E. Davis, wife of Rev. J. T. Davis, was born in Washington, Pa., July 5, 1850. In 1869, she was converted and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the same town, under the pastorate of Dr. Davidson. On Sept. 7, 1871, she was united in marriage with Bro. Davis. In March, 1872, she committed herself, with her husband, to the fortunes of the Methodist itinerancy in the West Virginia Conference. The hard fields of toil which, from this to the time of her death, became her lot, made heavy draughts upon her Christian

fortitude and physical strength. The sickness which culminated in her death, July 16, 1885, was long and severe. She was the mother of six children, one of them having preceded her in the heavenly home. She maintained a consistent, Christian life, and was awarded a hopeful death.

REV. D. M. HEASTON.

Rev. David M. Heaston was born Nov. 7, 1846, near Mastersville, Harrison County, Ohio, where he was reared, and where he lived till his entrance upon the Christian ministry. His death occurred at Buckhannon, West Virginia, November 11, 1884. He was the subject of converting grace at the age of sixteen, and three years after joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. Sometime after his connecting himself with the church, he had a persuasion that he ought to preach the gospel, but refused to yield to this influence until the chastening hand of God was laid upon him in the shape of severe sickness. He was not without a high appreciation of the magnitude and dignity of the work of the Christian ministry. Of this we have evidence in the preparation he made for his calling. He entered Scio College as a student in 1872, and graduated from the same institution in 1875. Soon after his graduation he was licensed to preach, and in 1877 he was admitted on trial in the West Virginia Conference, at its session held in Grafton. From this session of the Conference he was appointed to Randolph Mission, where he remained two years. On this work he did heroic service, meeting as victor opposition before which an ordinary spirit would quail. From this field he went, in 1879, to Webster Circuit, where he remained one year, proving himself to be a true workman. From Webster he was sent to Canaan Circuit, on which his pastorate continued three years, characterized by numerous conversions of souls and by many accessions to the church, as well as by other results of faithful work. His last charge was Buckhannon Circuit, to which he was appointed in 1882, 1883, and again in 1884. Here, as elsewhere, he gave full proof of his ministry in his ardent zeal and incessant work, securing on this account, as also on account of his genial manners and warm sympathy with his parishioners, their high esteem and strong affection. In his initial work, the third year on this charge, he was stricken down with typhoid fever, of which he died at the date before given. In his death the Church has lost a man of usefulness and ornament, and heaven has been enriched by a jewel of no ordinary luster. Our reconciliation to this event is helped by the thought that his death is not wholly a loss to us, since he has

left us his stimulating and inspiring example. He has left to our charge his wife and two children, to whom he was fondly attached, and to whom the world seems dreary because the husband and father is no more their companion in life. His remains were conveyed back to his native place, and by the associates and friends of his youth were solemnly and tenderly laid away to await the resurrection mandate. It is useless to add his death was the heralding of victory. A man so loyal to his conscience and to his God, would be expected to face death without dismay. From expressions that escaped his lips during his sickness and just before his departure, it was plainly evident his "Life was hid with Christ in God." He quit the world with the accents of "Jesus" lingering on his lips.

W. W. KELLY,
SAMUEL STEELE.

On Temperance.

Your Committee report that in their judgment the question that overshadows all others, and clamors for solution, is, "What shall be done to exterminate the great evil of intemperance?"

It is the genius of Methodism to foster every institution that has for its object the welfare of humanity, and to antagonize everything that threatens the interests of the race. We are pledged by every consideration of philanthropy not to cease our warfare against this mammoth evil till it is suppressed. And now, that the traffic in ardent spirits has assumed the form of an organized force and proclaimed its declaration of hostilities, it becomes all Christians, and all good citizens as well, to unite in a vigorous assault on this, the greatest evil of modern times.

A cry of distress from the victims of intemperance comes to our ears from all over our land. Homes made desolate, wives and children impoverished, gifted young men staggering to drunkard's graves, outrage and violence produced under the baneful influence of ardent spirits, insanity, suicide and murder, the malign outcome of this evil, warrant us to use the language once applied to another, and pronounce it "the sum of all villainies."

It becomes our duty then to begin, without delay, a resolute and heroic campaign against the whole business of making, selling and drinking intoxicating liquors.

We are at liberty to expect much of the moral forces. They have, in the years gone by, done a wonderful work. Nor have they lost their power in this age. Intelligence, self interest, conscience, are all allies of immense value. We must continue to appeal to them. Information, knowledge, facts, figures, should be given to the people. Books, pamphlets, papers, charts, educating the young as to the inevitable harm that attaches to intemperance, should be a part of the great work. Fortunately we have a large armory full of these valuable weapons. We emphasize the obligation of instructing the children in their school curriculum as to the effects of habits of intemperance.

We hail with intense pleasure the efforts made under the auspices of the Woman's Temperance Union, to preserve the sanctity and joys of home from the curse of drunkenness. This movement lifts the cloud from our hearts, and gives the prophecy of a revolution in our social usages.

We therefore extend to this Association a friendly recognition, and bid them God-speed in their work. But the Church is the great moral power, and now the times ask for greater activity on the part of the ministry and laity, more spirituality in our sermons and lives, more love for sinners, and especially sinners under the dominion of ardent spirits, and unceasing efforts for their regeneration.

With these forces, and others that may suggest themselves in this great work, we may qualify ourselves to utilize and formulate legal authority in the total prohibition of the trade in ardent spirits. We would dissuade from entangling alliances with mere partisan politics. We dictate to no citizen to what party he may belong, what ticket he may vote, but we earnestly say to our brethren in the different party organizations, to work for the selection of thorough temperance men as their candidates, whether Municipal, State, or National; men, who, in their representative capacity, will lend their aid to the enactment of such statutes as will secure the prohibition of every form of this unrighteous traffic.

Above all and greater than all, we, as Christians, should cry aloud to the Lord Jehovah, that he will give us wisdom, and grace, and permanent success in this noble work.

WM. R. WHITE, President.

M. W. RIDER, Secretary.

Centennial Report.

The Trustees appointed at last Conference to take charge of the Centennial Offerings, report, that although the amounts subscribed for educational purposes are not as large as expected, yet taking into consideration the stringency of the times, we have made an encouraging commencement, and in order to bring this highly important matter of a first-class Conference Seminary before the people, we recommend the appointment of agents—one for Charleston, Guyandotte and New River Districts; one for Parkersburgh and Wheeling Districts; one for Morgantown and Oakland Districts, and one for Clarksburgh and Buckhannon Districts, whose duty it shall be to visit the various charges within the Districts to which he is appointed, and present the necessity of such an institution as described to our people, and receive moneys and notes therefor, and for such services he will receive traveling expenses, provided that this agency does not interfere with his pastoral duties. We also recommend the appointment of the following Ministers and Laymen, as Trustees, viz.: A. J. Lyda, L. H. Jordan, J. A. Fullerton, Samuel Steele, E. H. Orwen, L. L. Stewart, H. J. Boatman, and A. B. Rohrbaugh, ministers; Hon. H. C. McWhorter, Hon. J. C. McGrew, Col. H. K. List, Esq., Hon. B. F. Martin, Hon. A. M. Poundstone, Henry Logan, Hon. Nathan Goff, Sr., and Samuel Woods, laymen, whose duty it shall be to receive proposals for the erection and endow-

ment of a Conference Seminary. Such offers, when received, to be submitted to the Annual Conference, who shall decide where it may be situated. And further, we recommend that the agents appointed as above, will present the claims of the worn out preachers to the liberality of the people.

A. J. LYDA,
D. H. K. DIX,
SAMUEL STEELE,
L. L. STEWART.

Observance of the Sabbath.

Your Committee have seen, with great regret, the indifference which prevails in regard to the observance of Sabbath. The desecration of this holy day, so common not only in the cities and towns, but also in our rural districts, is a great impediment to the prosperity of our Zion. Beer gardens, Sunday picnics, social visiting, turn our congregations away from the service of the sanctuary. The forms of amusements thus encouraged call for serious thought. We should return to a time-honored custom of preaching on this subject. The great monopolies that give no rest to their employes on the Sabbath, deserve the rebuke of the watchmen on the walls of Zion. Our membership who derive dividends from the proceeds of railroads that know no Sabbath, but disturb the quiet of worshippers by their shrill noise and unearthly din, should have the Christian courage not to be partakers with the unfruitful works of darkness. Mere social or business visits on this day hinder the spiritual progress of professing Christians. We can not be too pronounced in our opposition to this growing evil.

W. R. WHITE, Chairman.

On the Bible Cause.

Your Committee on the Bible Cause submit the following report :

Recognizing the Holy Bible as the inspired word of God, and, convinced that its general dissemination among all classes is indispensable to their being truly instructed in the knowledge of God, and in the principles of virtue and good morals, and also that the reading of the Bible alone has been the means of the conversion and salvation of many souls, and that it cannot fail to exert a most salutary influence upon all that read it ; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we note with sincere rejoicing the already widely extending diffusion of the Holy Scriptures, and regard with profound gratitude the present facilities afforded for supplying every family, either by purchase or gift, with the word of God.

Resolved, 2. That we, as ministers, will cheerfully co-operate with any and all agencies instituted for the promotion of this good work, and urge upon our people the importance of sustaining it, both with their sympathy and their contributions.

Resolved, 3. That we fully appreciate the pains-taking devotion and valuable services of the State Bible Agent, Rev. W. R. Long, within our State and Conference, during the past nine years, and while regretting his purpose to resign his commission next Spring, we extend to him, in retiring from his great work, our best wishes for his future welfare and happiness, hoping that he may abundantly reap the fruits of a well-spent life.

J. T. DAVIS, Chairman.

S. C. LOOMIS, Secretary.

On Periodicals and Book Accounts.

Your Committee on Periodicals and Book Accounts desire to report as follows :

Having examined the papers submitted to us, giving an exhibit of the various publishing interests of our Church, we find them highly satisfactory and encouraging. And,

WHEREAS, Our country is being flooded with trashy and impure books and periodicals, and in view of the fact that only one thousand, one hundred and seventy-five copies of the *Pittsburgh Christian Advocate*, and but few copies of either the *New York* or *Western Advocate* circulate within the bounds of our Conference ; and,

WHEREAS, An increased circulation of our Church papers will have a tendency to reduce the subscription price of the same, so as to place them within the reach of all, we respectfully recommend the passage of the following :

Resolved, That we, as Ministers of the Gospel, make special and earnest efforts, during the ensuing Conference year, to secure a larger patronage to the papers published by our Church, and that we will specially urge upon each official member of our Church the importance of placing at least one of these papers in his home. And with regard to the circulation of the books published by our Church, we reiterate the report of last year.

Resolved, That an earnest effort to circulate the books published in the interest of our branch of the Christian Church, together with our Church papers and Sunday School publications, to the exclusion of the cheaper and inferior products of other presses, should be obligatory upon every preacher of the connection.

Resolved, That we will endeavor to introduce into our revival work and Sunday Schools the intelligent and devout psalmody of our own Hymnals.

Signed,

A. J. LYDA, Chairman.

CHAS. A. BOLLINGER, Secretary.

On Sunday Schools.

WHEREAS, The Sunday School work is one of great importance in building up the Church, and molding the character of the rising generation, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we earnestly request the Presiding Elders and Pastors to give special attention to this work.

2. That they insist upon and require all schools to be organized according to the direction of the Discipline.

3. That we insist upon purely Methodistic Schools, to the exclusion of all literature save our own.

4. That we use all diligence to banish from our schools all literature that is not our own.

5. That we most heartily recommend the use of the lesson helps, but insist upon the exclusion of the same from the recitation, and recommend the use of the Bible in their place.

6. That we will endeavor to have every Sunday School continued through all the Sundays of the year.

7. That we urge the adult members of our Church to take part in the Sunday School work.

E. G. HARBERT, Chairman.

D. L. ASH, Secretary.

On Tracts.

WHEREAS, The Tract Society is an important enterprise of the Church, by which a large amount of religious truth has been freely circulated among the people, and is effecting much good; therefore,

Resolved, That, as in the early days of Methodism the distribution of tracts was blessed of God, in the salvation of many souls, we will urge the Committees on Tracts in our Charges to see that the people are supplied with the publications of our Tract Society.

E. G. HARBERT, Chairman.

D. L. ASH, Secretary.

Parsonages and Furniture.

Your Committee on Parsonages and Furniture present the following as its report:

WHEREAS, It is in accord with the laws of our Church that every Charge in the Conference should have a furnished parsonage, and we find that of the 134 Charges only 47 have parsonages, and but a few of this number are furnished, and,

WHEREAS, No other kind of church property gives equal strength, comfort and independence to both pastors and people, therefore, be it

Resolved, That each pastor put forth special efforts to arouse the Church to the importance of this Church enterprise, and that great care be used in the selection of the local Parsonage Committee, with reference to the interest and special qualifications of each member to execute the plans suggested by the pastor.

And we further recommend that each pastor who goes to a church without a parsonage, select his home with a view of making it the property of the Church, and having the same furnished with heavy furniture by the Church.

C. B. GRAHAM, Chairman.

S. P. ARCHER, Secretary.

District Conference Journals.

Your Committee on District Conference Journals, submit the following as our report :

Having carefully examined the Journals of Guyandotte, Buckhannon and Oakland Districts, we find them neatly and correctly kept.

The records of Morgantown District, in care of Bro. Eichelberger, not reported.

A. STEVENS,

R. B. WARD,

Committee.

P. E. Accounts.

Your Committee on auditing P. E. accounts, present the following report :

We have examined each of the accounts of the nine Presiding Elders, and find them properly receipted and correct, in harmony with the laws of our Church.

C. B. GRAHAM, Chairman.

A. STEVENS, Secretary.

Pittsburgh Advocate.

Financial Exhibit of the Pittsburgh *Christian Advocate*, for the year ending June 1st, 1885.

Income.

From Subscriptions.....	\$13,101 49
“ Advertisements.....	5,193 28
“ Interest.....	116 72
Total.....	\$18,411 49

Expenditures.

For Printing Paper.....	\$ 3,497 92
“ Composition.....	3,079 07
“ Editor's Salary.....	3,000 00
“ Press-work, Folding and Pasting.....	1,655 26
“ Business Agent's Salary.....	1,500 00
“ Correspondence.....	1,200 00
“ General Expenses.....	1,636 68
“ Postage.....	1,079 10

For Editorial Office Expenses.....	\$1,000 00
“ New Type.....	83 68
“ Wrapping Paper.....	88 85
“ Market Report.....	78 00

\$17,898 56

In addition to the above ordinary expenses, there was paid the re-	
tiring Editor, by order of the General Conference, the sum of...	1,057 47
Paid E. Wright, foreman, on previous year's composition.....	65 00

Making a total Expenditure of.....	\$19,021 03
Showing an excess of total Expenditure over Income of.....	609 54
And an excess of Income over ordinary annual expenses of.....	512 93

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1884.

Assets.

Cash	\$ 4,435 63
Bills Receivable.....	3,522 34
Investment in Building.....	6,829 08
Office Furniture and Material.....	1,675 05
Due on Subscription Accounts.....	4,064 58
Due on Advertising Accounts.....	3,724 09
Total Assets.....	\$24,250 77

Liabilities.

Due to Sundries.....	\$148 34
Subscriptions paid in advance.....	817 80
Total Liabilities.....	\$ 966 14
Net Assets.....	23,284 63

Circulation June 1, 1885.

East Ohio Conference.....	2,875 copies.
Pittsburgh “	2,465 “
Erie “	1,975 “
West Virginia “	1,175 “
Outside.....	160 “
Exchange and Free.....	470 “
Total.....	9,120

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. A. MOORE,

For Pub. Com.

Report of the Board of Stewards.

The Board of Stewards met and examined the reports from the Charges, and would respectfully report the following amounts received for Conference Claimants :

From Morgantown District.....	\$158 00
“ Wheeling “	599 89
“ Oakland “	110 00
“ Clarksburg “	73 00
“ Buckhannon “	84 00

From Parkersburg District.....	\$157 00
“ Charleston “	41 00
“ Guyandotte “	26 25
“ New River “	19 75
“ Unknown Charge	1 00
Total from Conference.....	\$1,269 89
Received from Dividend from Book Concern.....	189 00
“ Interest from funds in hands of Dr. Steele.....	3 00
“ From Chartered Fund.....	30 00
Total Receipts.....	\$1,487 89
Interest Permanent Fund.....	67 50
	<u>\$1,559 39</u>

We have disbursed the above as follows:

To Widow Blundon.....\$ 10 00	Paid to.....Self.
“ “ Richmond..... 10 00	“W. J. Sharpes.
“ “ Burns..... 25 00	“B. Ison.
“ “ Irwin..... 10 00	“D. S. Hammond.
“ “ Hartley..... 130 00	“A. B. Rohrbaugh.
“ “ Monroe..... 50 00	“J. Engle.
“ “ Heatherly..... 10 00	“A. Workman.
“ “ Battelle..... 10 00	“W. G. Riheldaffer.
“ “ Weaver..... 100 00	““
“ “ Young..... 130 00	“C. W. Upton.
“ “ Parrsett..... 150 00	“B. Ison.
“ G. Martin..... 25 00	“W. R. White.
“ D. F. Carder..... 10 00	“Self
To Widow Heaston..... 100 00	“W. J. Riheldaffer.
To Rev. R. Northcraft..... 75 00	“U. Pribble.
“ “ J. J. Dolliver..... 50 00	“G. E. Hite.
“ “ B. Hagar..... 75 00	“Self.
“ “ R. L. Brooks..... 65 00	“C. W. Cox.
“ “ A. Dixon..... 100 00	“W. Hunter.
“ “ J. S. Laughlin..... 115 00	“J. W. Bedford.
“ “ D. S. Benedum..... 40 00	“W. D. Carrico.
“ “ C. Connor..... 35 00	“W. E. Loomis.
“ “ W. Wriston..... 25 00	“Self.
“ “ George Crosfield..... 10 00	“Self.
“ “ J. Birkett..... 25 00	“W. G. Riheldaffer.
“ “ C. W. Cox..... 15 00	“Self.
“ “ B. Darlington..... 25 00	“Self.
“ “ C. R. Shackelford..... 20 00	“Self.
“ “ John B. West..... 15 00	“L. D. King.
“ “ V. Sanford..... 10 00	“Self.
“ “ J. T. Davis..... 20 00	“Self.
“ “ J. T. Carroll..... 10 00	“Self.
“ “ P. C. Hayes..... 10 00	“Self.
“ “ L. D. Haines..... 165 00	“W. Hunter.
“ “ A. T. Morriston..... 16 00	“Self.
“ “ R. M. Wallace..... 16 89	“E. H. Orwen.

Total Disbursements.....\$1,559 39

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN BAILIE, Secretary.

T. B. HUGHES, President.

Relief of Sufferers.

Report of Board for the Relief of Sufferers among the churches and ministers of the West Virginia Conference, by the flood of February, 1884.

To the West Virginia Conference of the M. E. Church:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—A few days after the disastrous flood of waters, which in February, 1884, swept down the valley of the Ohio, the writer of this report received a letter from B. F. Martin, and others, a Committee of the M. E. Church, at Grafton, W. Va., enclosing a check for \$133.10, representing money which had been subscribed by that church for the relief of sufferers by the flood. The Committee directed him to distribute the money in such manner, as, in his judgment, would most fully carry out the purpose of the contributors. The information received in regard to the great injury which the flood had inflicted upon churches and ministers, directly and indirectly, had already impressed upon him the necessity of an organized effort for their prompt relief. The receipt of the letter and check referred to prompted him to call a meeting of ministers and laymen of the city of Wheeling, (itself a severe sufferer.) At this meeting, after due consideration, a Board of Relief was organized, composed of the pastor and two laymen from each of the city churches. The Presiding Elder of the Wheeling District, (then Rev. W. C. Snodgrass,) was elected President; Rev. L. H. Jordan was elected Secretary, and Dr. T. H. Logan, Treasurer.

Measures were taken to secure full and accurate information in regard to the wants of the suffering churches and pastors. Funds were solicited through the Church papers, and by correspondence, and these funds were carefully distributed by the Board, in accordance with their best judgment.

The Board feels gratified in being able to state, that the aid which it was enabled to afford to struggling churches and pastors, was most timely, and was gratefully appreciated. In many instances it replaced discouragement, if not despair, with renewed hope and energy.

In behalf of the congregations and ministers who received the aid of this fund, in the hours of their extreme necessity, we are authorized to express our sincere and hearty thanks to the kind contributors. This expression, we are sure, will be fully endorsed by the Conference.

The Board feels that a special expression of gratitude is due to Dr. J. E. Smith, pastor of the Fourth St. M. E. Church, of Wheeling, for the substantial aid which he rendered the fund through his influential correspondence with his friends abroad.

We herewith present a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the fund. We request that this report be published in the Conference Minutes, and that a copy of the same be mailed to each contributor to the fund, so far as may be found practicable.

RECEIPTS.

Grafton M. E. Church, Grafton, W. Va.....	\$ 133 10
Langley Avenue M. E. Church, Chicago, Ill., through A. C. George,	
D. D.....	25 00

Henry Wray, Rochester, N. Y.....	\$5 00
Mrs. Wm. Cornell, Scranton, Pa., through J. E. Smith, D. D.....	100 00
Dr. James Drummond, Cadiz, O.....	5 00
S. Ridinger, Irwin, Pa.....	5 00
J. Wells, Albion, Pa.....	7 36
S. G. W. Morrison and wife, Martin's Ferry, O.....	5 00
Grace M. E. Church, Wilmingon, Del., through J. E. Smith, D. D., 1st subscription.....	175 00
Canandaigua M. E. Church, N. Y.....	13 00
Butler M. E. Church, Pa., through Rev. Homer J. Smith.....	27 00
Irwin M. E. Church, Irwin, Pa., through Rev. S. Ridinger.....	51 37
Mary C. Keener, Balt., Md.....	15 00
From Presbyterians of Lower Amwell Township, Washington Co., Pa., through Dr. Geo. Baird, Wheeling, W. Va.....	80 50
Mrs. M. J. Gauley, Wheeling, W. Va.....	10 00
Grace M. E. Church, Wilmington, Del., through J. E. Smith, D. D., 2nd subscription.....	203 00
First Church, Wilkesbarre, Pa., through J. E. Smith, D. D.....	102 00
Rev. E. W. Ryan.....	3 00
Volcano M. E. Church, W. Va., through L. D. King, pastor.....	6 00
A friend.....	2 00
Main Street M. E. Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., through Rev. H. L. Chap- man.....	30 00
Jollytown Quarterly Conference W. Va.....	12 50
W. F. Root, Titusville, Pa.....	1 00
S. Hamilton, Pittsburgh, Pa.....	50 00
Miss Armstrong, St. Clairsville, O.....	20 00
M. E. Church, Albrightsville, W. Va.....	6 00
Ernest O. Powers, N. Adams, Mass.....	5 00
C. R. Benedict, Shelby, Iowa.....	10 00
Chandlersville M. E. Church, Ohio, through Rev. G. W. Dennis.....	20 36
George Avery, Granby, Conn.....	3 00
A friend, Harrisburgh, Pa.....	1 00
Sunbury M. E. Church, Coultersville, Pa.....	31 00
Fourth Street M. E. Church, Wheeling.....	521 50
Mrs. Boole, Washington, D. C.....	5 00
Mary E. Tuthill, Woodstock, N. Y.....	1 00
Beihel Circuit, New Philadelphia, Ohio, through Rev. J. J. Wilson, pastor.....	10 00
Samuel L. Ward, Boston, Mass.....	5 00
Rev. J. B. McCullough, Treas.....	75 00
Jacob Hornbrook, Wheeling, W. Va.....	25 00
Methodist, Olney, Ill.....	5 00
Morgantown M. E. Church, W. Va.....	11 14
Pruntytown, W. Va.....	1 00
Rev. H. D. Todd, East Randolph, N. Y.....	27 00
Palatine Circuit, W. Va.....	2 50
Morgantown Circuit, through Rev. D. H. K. Dix.....	22 00
Grace M. E. Church, Coshocton, O.....	25 00
R. Burr, Concord, O.....	1 00
Rev. A. S. Hunter, Blackburn, Pa.....	10 00
Rev. E. S. Wilson, Dwight, Ill.....	20 00
Mary C. Keener, Balt., Md., 2nd subscription.....	6 00
Rev. J. S. Boreman.....	6 00
Total Receipts.....	\$1,942 33

EXPENDITURES.

For Relief of Ministers.....	\$ 968 00
For Relief of Churches.....	970 00
Incidental expenses, postal cards, postage, stationery, etc.,	4 33
	\$1,942 33

T. H. LOGAN, Treasurer.

Freedmen's Aid Society.

We, the Committee on Freedmen's Aid Society, submit the following report :

Having examined the documents put into our hands, we find that not only the Society, but the entire Church, has reason to feel thankful to the Great Head of the Church, for the success that has crowned its efforts.

Being brought into existence by the providence of Almighty God, to aid in the intellectual, moral and spiritual elevation of our "brother in black," as well as the illiterate white population of the South. For the accomplishment of this great work, schools of all grades, from the common school to the University, have been established and sustained by this society, in which about 1,000,000 students have been taught.

Graduates from these schools are filling successfully, and with credit to the society, the positions of ministers and other honorable professions. Still there is vastly more to be done in the future than has been accomplished in the past.

The demands of the society being so far in excess of contributions to its support, calls for the largest liberality on the part of our people, and the most untiring efforts on the part of the ministry of our Church, that this great work, which has fallen to us as a denomination, may be successfully done; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, as members of the West Va. Conference, will make the most earnest and persistent efforts to advance the interests of this society, and assist in the accomplishment of its great mission.

C. R. SHACKELFORD, Chairman.

Apportionment of Benevolent Collections.

DISTRICTS.	Missionary.	Conference Claimants.	Church Extension.	Episcopacy.	Freedmen's Aid.
Morgantown.....	763 70	400 00	112 00	122 00	110 00
Wheeling.....	1,521 66	830 00	224 00	244 91	220 00
Oakland.....	440 00	240 00	64 00	70 00	65 00
Clarksburg.....	605 00	330 00	88 00	95 75	88 00
Buckhannon.....	550 00	300 00	80 00	88 00	80 00
Parkersburg.....	605 00	330 00	88 00	95 75	88 00
Charleston.....	440 00	240 00	64 60	70 84	65 00
Guyandotte.....	330 00	180 00	48 00	52 50	48 00
New River.....	275 00	150 00	41 00	45 00	40 00

W. F. M. Society.

Annual Report of the W. F. M. Society of the West Virginia Conference Division :

Morgantown District.

Willy Scholarship.....	\$ 40 00
Morgantown Aux.....	35 75
Monongalia Circuit.....	8 25
Arnettsville.....	9 00
Masontown.....	12 42
Kingwood.....	20 51
Grafton.....	20 08
Knottsville.....	1 00

Total.....\$137 01

Clarksburg District.

Fairmont.....	\$ 10 25
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Total.....\$ 10 25

Oakland District.

Albrightsville.....	\$ 12 30
Johnstown and Selbysport.....	1 00

Total.....\$ 13 30

Wheeling District.

Triadelphia.....	\$ 27 00
Wheeling, Fourth Street.....	20 00
" Zane Street.....	13 00
" Thompson Church.....	18 75
Moundsville.....	88 33

Total.....\$167 08

Parkersburg District.

Parkersburg Mission.....	\$ 8 75
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Total.....\$ 8 75

Guyandotte District.

Guyandotte.....	\$ 16 14
Huntington.....	55 00

Total.....\$ 71 14

Buckhannon District.

Buckhannon.....	\$ 15 00
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Total.....15 00

Wellsburg, (Pittsburgh Fractional.)

Wellsburg.....	\$ 34 45
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Total.....\$ 34 45

Zenana Paper Fund.

From Masontown, Kingwood, Albrightsville, Camp Chapel, Newburg and Tunnelton Mite Boxes.....	\$ 12 60
Total for Conference.....	\$469 58

MRS. T. W. CHIDESTER, Secretary.

Missionary Appropriations.

The Committee on Missions offer the following report:

<i>Morgantown District.</i>		<i>Parkersburg District.</i>	
Burton.....	\$100 00	Pleasants	\$100 00
<i>Wheeling District.</i>		<i>Guyandotte District.</i>	
New Martinsville Station.....	\$ 50 00	District	\$250 00
" " Circuit	\$ 50 00	Barboursville.....	50 00
	\$100 00	Cassville	25 00
<i>Oakland District.</i>		Ceredo.....	75 00
Pleasant Grove.....	\$ 40 00	Coal River.....	25 00
Deer Park.....	75 00	East Hamlin.....	25 00
Randolph Mission.....	60 00	Fairfields.....	100 00
Hamilton.....	50 00	Guyandotte.....	50 00
Cranesville.....	25 00	Hamlin	75 00
	\$250 00	Laurel	25 00
<i>Clarksburg District.</i>		St. Albans.....	50 00
Pine Grove.....	\$ 60 00	Winfield.....	100 00
Worthington.....	60 00		\$850 00
Logansport	40 00	<i>New River District.</i>	
	\$160 00	District	\$200 00
<i>Buckhannon District.</i>		Raleigh.....	50 00
Bealington	\$ 50 00	Pleasant Retreat.....	40 00
Canaan	60 00	Elk River.....	50 00
Webster	50 00	Logan.....	30 00
Gladys	40 00	Flat Top.....	40 00
	\$200 00	Concord	50 00
<i>Charleston District.</i>		Clay	50 00
District	\$120 00	Fayette	50 00
East Charleston.....	50 00	Hinchman.....	100 00
Mill Creek.....	50 00	Boone.....	30 00
Raymond City.....	50 00	Oceana	50 00
Ripley	50 00	Ophelia	40 00
Sandyville.....	50 00	Mt. Cove.....	40 00
Walton	50 00		\$820 00
	\$420 00	J. L. CLARK, Chairman.	

S. B. D. PRICKITT, Secretary.

I concur in the above Missions and Appropriations.

September 28, 1885.

S. M. MERRILL.

Reports of Conference Officers.

Secretary's Report.

Incidental Expenses.

RECEIPTS.

Collection at last session of Conference, \$25 00

EXPENDITURES.

Balance from Last Year, \$13 10

Postage, Stationery, Express, etc., 4 25

—————\$17 35

Balance in my hands, \$ 7 65

Conference Minutes.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from Last Year, \$289 01

Paid by Preachers at Conference, 57 25

“ “ after Conference, 30 50

Received from Advertisements, 298 50

Total Receipts, \$675 26

EXPENDITURES.

Trip to Wheeling for Advertisements, \$ 4 00

Printing 2,000 copies Minutes, 242 66

Postage, Express, and Wrapping, 41 35

Total Expenditures, \$288 01

Balance in my hands, ———\$387 25

By order of the Conference, this balance, less \$25, was passed to the Permanent Fund.

*Treasurer's Report.**Missions.*

Morgantown District	\$ 353 00
Wheeling	1358 83
Oakland	329 00
Clarksburg	235 00
Buckhannon	253 00
Parkersburg	510 00
Charleston	94 00
Guyandotte	55 75
New River	46 00

Total.....\$3234 58

Last Year.....3325 42

Decrease.....\$ 91 94

Bishop's Fund.

Morgantown District	\$ 71 00
Wheeling	171 00
Oakland	58 00
Clarksburg	56 00
Buckhannon	38 00
Parkersburg	66 00
Charleston	20 00
Guyandotte	14 00
New River	13 00

Total.....\$ 507 00

Last Year.....359 00

Increase.....\$ 148 00

Church Extension.

Morgantown District	\$ 41 00
Wheeling	138 50
Oakland	20 00
Clarksburg	22 00
Buckhannon	27 00
Parkersburg	35 00
Charleston	13 00
Guyandotte	8 00
New River	4 00

Total.....\$ 308 50

Last Year.....300 57

Increase.....\$ 7 93

Freedmen's Aid.

Morgantown District	\$ 26 00
Wheeling	127 00
Oakland	22 00
Clarksburg	13 00
Buckhannon	18 00
Parkersburg	43 00
Charleston	5 00
Guyandotte	14 00
New River	4 00

Total.....\$ 272 00

Last Year.....262 95

Increase.....\$ 9 05

Sunday School Union.

Morgantown District	\$ 6 00
Wheeling	17 00
Oakland	11 00
Clarksburg	9 00
Buckhannon	8 00
Parkersburg	8 00
Charleston	5 00
Guyandotte	2 00
New River	00 00

Total.....\$ 82 00

Last Year.....72 50

Increase.....\$ 9 50

Tract Cause.

Morgantown District	\$ 6 00
Wheeling	44 50
Oakland	15 00
Clarksburg	5 00
Buckhannon	7 00
Parkersburg	6 00
Charleston	5 00
Guyandotte	2 00
New River	00 00

Total.....\$ 90 50

Last Year.....89 00

Increase.....\$ 1 50

Educational.

Morgantown District	\$ 24 27
Wheeling	129 14
Oakland	28 00
Clarksburg	45 00
Buckhannon	26 00
Parkersburg	27 00
Charleston	18 55
Guyandotte	15 00
New River	00 00

Total.....\$ 313 96

Last Year.....427 86

Decrease.....\$ 113 90

American Bible Society.

Morgantown District	\$ 49 56
Wheeling	82 00
Oakland	9 00
Clarksburg	25 82
Buckhannon	22 10
Parkersburg	46 35
Charleston	33 61
Guyandotte	19 34
New River	10 00

Total.....\$ 287 88

Last Year.....392 41

Decrease.....\$ 104 50

L. H. JORDAN, Treasurer.

Treasurer of the Permanent Fund.

PARKERSBURG, September 1, 1885.

I have received no additional funds since the last Conference. In accordance with the order of the last Conference, directing \$400 to be paid to the Church at Hartford City, I gave my notes, as Treasurer, for that amount, with interest to be paid in 6, 12, 18 and 24 months. I have paid the first note, and the second is due October 4th.

JAMES L. CLARK, Treasurer.

Treasurer of the Educational Fund.

PARKERSBURG, September 1, 1885.

There has been no change in the Educational Fund this year. The loans ordered by the Conference to Bros. Sanford and Smith were made, and their notes, with securities, taken.

JAMES L. CLARK, Treasurer.

Certificate of Ordination.

This certifies that on Sunday, September 27, 1885, I ordained Thomas E. Galway, Columbus W. Cox, George W. Kepler, Elijah R. Skidmore, David F. Carder, George W. Marston, and Benson B. Brooks, Deacons in the Methodist Episcopal Church. Also, at the same time and place, assisted by several Elders present, I ordained the following to the office of Elders, viz. : Millard F. Dryden, Clinton B. Meredith, Frederick Cottrill, William Hunter, George W. Grimes, Archibald Moore, Lorenzo D. Bryan, Delorane Upton, William D. Sanford, Isaac W. Clinger, Alderson Workman.

Done at Charleston, W. Va.

S. M. MERRILL.



Resolutions.

WHEREAS, We cannot separate without expressing our great pleasure at the kindness and hospitality of the citizens of Charleston generally, and our entertainers in particular, who have put themselves to great trouble to entertain us with all the genuine hospitality characteristic of our young State, we therefore present our heartfelt thanks to them for the many marks of kindness received, praying that the God of all grace may bless them.

Also, we tender our thanks to the Pastors and Trustees of the various churches placed at the disposal of our ministry on the Sabbath, and also to the various railroads and steamboats who have given reduced rates to our ministers and laymen attending Conference.

Charleston, W. Va., Sept. 28, 1885.

SAMUEL STEELE,
J. E. SMITH.

WHEREAS, This is the first time our beloved Bishop, Rev. Stephen M. Merrill, has visited us as our Presiding officer, therefore,

Resolved, 1. That this Conference hereby express great delight and pleasure in his presidency and the gentlemanly and Christian manner in which he has treated every member of the Conference on the floor of the Conference, and his accessibility to all who called upon him.

Resolved, 2. That we will hail his return with pleasure as a benediction, and hope that he will visit us again shortly.

Charleston, W. Va., Sept. 28, 1885.

J. ENGLE,
SAMUEL STEELE,
J. A. FULLERTON.

WHEREAS, The following brethren of the West Virginia Conference, namely: Rev. J. E. Smith, D. D., Rev. Geo. C. Wilding, Rev. T. B. Hughes, Rev. J. W. Lambert and Rev. J. W. Griffiths, have been transferred to other Conferences, we commend these brethren to the Conferences to which they have been transferred as every way worthy of their confidence and esteem; and should these brethren desire to return we will give them a cordial reception.

Charleston, W. Va., Sept. 28, 1885.

J. A. FULLERTON,
SAMUEL STEELE,
WM. R. WHITE,
B. ISON.

WHEREAS, Our Brother and one of the Fathers of our Conference, the Rev. D. H. K. Dix, is about to leave us for another field of labor in the Master's vineyard, we do desire to express our deep regret that circumstances neces-

sitated this step of our brother. We will ever remember him and his valuable services rendered us by his wise counsels, during his long connection with our Conference, and do heartily commend him to the brethren of Des Moines Conference, as a true man of God and a brother worthy of their best affection and highest esteem.

J. W. W. BOLTON,
J. ENGLE.

Resolved, 1. That the thanks of this Conference are due and are hereby tendered G. C. Wilding for his very efficient service as Secretary of the Conference, which position he filled with ability for seven successive years.

Resolved, 2. That in the transfer of Bro. Wilding this Conference has lost one of its most useful and valuable members, and that we follow him with our prayers and affection, and heartily commend him to the confidence of the ministers and members of the Conference of which he is now a member.

M. F. DRYDEN,
W. G. RIEHLDAFFER,
GEO. E. HITE,
T. B. HUGHES,
L. D. KING.

Resolved, That the Conference be requested to grant J. Engle a loan of fifty dollars from the Educational Fund, for the purpose of assisting him in educating his son at the Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio.

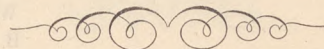
J. M. WARDEN,
A. J. LYDA.

Resolved, That one hundred dollars of our Educational Fund be loaned to Rev. O. J. Moore, to assist him in finishing his education at Drew Theological Seminary.

J. ENGLE,
H. C. SANFORD,
J. A. FULLERTON.

Resolved, That all applications for loans shall be submitted to the Board of Trustees of the Permanent Fund, and no funds shall be loaned without the written consent and approval of said Trustees.

A. J. LYDA,
L. L. STEWART.



❖Conference Biography.❖

NAMES.	Year Born	Where Born.	Age Converted.	Former Occupation.	Year Entered Itinerancy		First Conference Joined.	Year entered West Va. Conference.	When Ordained.		Mode of Entering West Va. Conference.	No. of Years.				Present Conference Relation.		
					On Trial.	Full Connection.			Deacon.	Elder.		Located.	Superannuated.	Presiding Elder.	Effective.		Delegate to the General Confce.	
Allemon, C. S.	1844	Virginia	19	Physician	1871	1873	West Va.	1871	1873	1875	On Trial	1			15	Effective		
Ash, D. L.	1855	"	19	Farmer	1878	1880	"	1878	1880	"	"				7	"		
Baumgardner, N. L.	1842	Maryland	19	Farmer	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	"				16	"		
Bedford, J. W.	1850	Penn	19	Laborer	1875	1877	"	1875	1877	1878	"				11	"		
Beckley, N. C.	1840	New York		Farmer	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	"				14	"		
Boatman, H. J.	1843	Indiana	25	Teacher	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	"	2			14	"		
Bolton, J. W. W.	1834	Virginia	19	"	1857	1859	"	1857	1859	1861	"	5	3	8	23	1	Superannuated	
Brooks, R.																	"	
Brooks, R. L.	1810	Virginia	22	Carpenter	1846	1848	Ohio	1848		1848	By Division			28	16		Effective	
Boreman, J. S.	1858	"	20	Farmer	1881	1883	West Va.	1881	1883	"	On Trial				4		"	
Carrico, W. D.	1822	"	14	"	1866	1873	"	1866	1863	1873	"				19		"	
Carroll, J. T.	1827	"	16	"	1853	1855	"	1853	1855	1873	"	17			15		Superannuated	
Chenoweth, J. F.	1849	"	18	"	1871	1873	"	1871	1873	1875	"				15		Effective	
Cheuvront, W. A.	1850	"	15	"	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	"				12		"	
Chidester, T. W.	1848	"	20	"	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	"			5	9		"	
Clark, J. L.	1814	Maryland	6	Merchant	1841	1843	Pittsburgh	1848	1843	1845	Assisted in its organization.				12	44	"	
Cool, D.	1837	Virginia	15	Farmer	1858	1860	West Va.	1858	1860	1862	On Trial				27		"	
Copeland, G. R.	1847	Ohio	16	"	1877	1879	"	1877	1874	"	"				8		"	
Cotton, T.	1829	England	21	Merchant	1872	1874	Mississippi	1876	1872	1874	On Credentials.				13		"	
Cottrill, F.	1860	Virginia	16	Farmer	1881	1883	West Va.	1881	1883	"	On Trial				4		"	
Conner, C.	1819	Ohio	15	Carpenter	1850	1852	"	1850	1850	1852	"			6	29		Superannuated	
Crosfield, G.	1821	England	18	Merchant	1849	1852	Niagara	1872	1849	1852	Transfer.	2	4	29	1		"	
Crawford, C.																	"	
Curtis, A. L.	1854	Virginia	12	Farmer	1879		West Va.	1879			On Trial		2		4		Effective	
Darlington, B.	1819	"	16	Mechanic	1859	1861	"	1859	1858	1861	"				26		"	
Davis, J. T.	1837	Penn	10	Teacher	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1875	"			5		15	"	
Dix, D. H. K.	1828	Virginia	16	Farmer	1850	1852	"	1850	1852	1854	"			2	8	33	1	Superannuated
Dixon, A.	1805	"	8	"	1832	1834	Ohio	1848	1834	1836	Assisted in its organization.			26	27		Superannuated	
Dolliver, J. J.	1810	New York	26	Merchant	1843	1845	"	1848	1845	1847	"			1	4	2	38	"
Dryden, M. F.	1856	Maryland	21	Teacher	1881	1883	West Va.	1881	1883	"	On Trial					4		Effective
Engle, J.	1837	Penn	10	Bookkeeper	1876	1878	"	1876	1878	1880	"				9		"	
Feather, J. B.	1833	Virginia	17	Farmer	1854	1856	"	1854	1856	1858	"			1		30		"

Conference Biography.—Continued.

NAMES.	Year Born.....	Where Born.	Age Converted.....	Former Occupation.	Year Entered Itinerancy		First Conference Joined.	When Ordained.		Mode of Entering West Va. Conference.	No. of Years.				Present Conference Relation.	
					On Trial.....	Full Connection.		Year entered West Va. Conference.....	Deacon.....		Elder.....	Located.....	Superannuated.....	Presiding Elder.....		Effective.....	Delegate to the General Conf. ea.
Ford, F. G. W.....	1833	Virginia.....	20	Farmer.....	1874	1876	West Va.....	1874	1871	1877	On Trial.....	.....	.....	12	.....	Effective
Fullerton, J. A.....	1850	Ireland.....	17	.....	1872	1874	Central Pa.....	1872	1872	1875	Transfer.....	.....	.....	12	.....	"
Graham, C. B.....	1850	Virginia.....	19	Merchant.....	1879	.....	West Va.....	1879	.....	.....	On Trial.....	.....	.....	6	.....	"
Grimes, G. W.....	1854	Ohio.....	22	Teacher.....	1881	1883	"	1881	1883	.....	"	"	.....	4	.....	"
Hammond, D. S.....	1850	Virginia.....	23	Farmer.....	1876	1878	"	1876	1878	1880	"	"	.....	9	.....	"
Hess, J. H.....	1851	Maryland.....	16	Blacksmith.....	1875	1877	"	1875	1877	1878	"	"	.....	11	.....	"
Hess, J. W.....	1853	Virginia.....	21	Farmer.....	1869	1871	"	1869	1871	1873	"	"	2	15	.....	Supernumary
Hitchens, S.....	1840	England.....	12	.....	1860	1862	"	1860	1862	1864	"	"	10	15	.....	"
Hite, G. E.....	1851	Virginia.....	19	Teacher.....	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	"	"	.....	214	.....	Effective
Hughes, R. H.....	1846	"	18	Farmer.....	1870	1873	"	1878	1873	1882	"	"	.....	114	.....	"
Hull, J. C.....	1856	"	15	Teacher.....	1881	1883	S. Kansas.....	1885	1883	1885	By Transfer.....	.....	.....	4	.....	"
Hunter, W. M.....	1858	"	16	Farmer.....	1881	1883	West Va.....	1881	1883	.....	On Trial.....	.....	.....	4	.....	"
Jones, S. E.....	1846	England.....	26	Teacher.....	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	"	"	.....	12	.....	"
Jordan, L. H.....	1836	New York.....	19	"	1868	1870	"	1868	1870	1872	"	"	.....	17	.....	"
Kelley, W. W.....	1838	Virginia.....	14	"	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1870	"	"	.....	19	.....	"
King, F. H. J.....	1834	"	17	Farmer.....	1857	1859	"	1857	1859	1861	"	"	.....	4	205	1
Lakin, C. H.....	1838	Ohio.....	20	"	1865	1867	"	1865	1867	1869	"	"	.....	2	25	.....
Laughlin, J. S.....	1845	Penna.....	16	Teacher.....	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1877	"	"	.....	5	8	.....
Lee, Joseph.....	1847	Ireland.....	15	Merchant.....	1873	1875	"	1873	1873	1876	"	"	.....	13	.....	"
Loomis, S. C.....	1840	Indiana.....	17	Teacher.....	1872	1874	Ohio.....	1872	1874	1878	By certificate of location.....	1	1	11	.....	"
Lovett, W. E.....	1835	Maryland.....	19	Lieut. Vol. Cav.....	1872	1874	West Va.....	1872	1873	1876	On Trial.....	.....	.....	14	.....	"
Loveall, A. S.....	1850	Virginia.....	18	Teacher.....	1879	.....	"	1879	.....	.....	"	"	.....	6	.....	"
Mahone, B. D.....	1849	"	17	Farmer.....	1876	1878	"	1876	1876	1880	"	"	.....	9	.....	"
Martin, G.....	1815	"	16	"	1837	1839	Pittsburgh.....	1848	1839	1841	When organized by division.....	.....	.....	15	48	3
Matheny, G. W.....	1838	"	15	"	1865	1867	West Va.....	1865	1867	1869	On Trial.....	.....	.....	7	14	.....
Meredith, C. B.....	1850	"	23	Mechanic.....	1881	1883	"	1881	1883	.....	"	"	.....	4	.....	"
McGinnis, D. A.....	1822	"	17	Teacher.....	1846	1848	Ohio.....	1848	1848	1850	When organized by division.....	.....	.....	7	.....	Superannuated
Mick, A.....	1849	"	14	Farmer.....	1872	1875	West Va.....	1872	1875	1877	On Trial.....	.....	.....	13	.....	Effective
Miles, H. H.....	1844	Ohio.....	18	Marble Cutter.....	1874	1877	Sciota.....	1881	.....	1877	On Orders.....	1	.....	10	.....	"
Morrison, A. T.....	1843	Virginia.....	18	Farmer.....	1871	1873	West Va.....	1871	1873	1875	On Trial.....	.....	.....	14	.....	"
Moore, O. J.....	1860	"	19	Teacher.....	1880	1882	"	1880	1882	.....	"	"	.....	5	.....	"
Moore, A.....	1861	Ohio.....	18	Farmer.....	1881	1883	"	1881	1883	.....	"	"	.....	4	.....	"
Nothercraft, R.....	1818	Maryland.....	14	"	1853	1855	"	1853	1853	1857	"	"	8	24	.....	Superannuated
Perry, A. D.....	1848	Virginia.....	18	Carpenter.....	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1879	"	"		12		Effective

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					On Trial.....	Full Connection.		Year entered West Va. Conference.....	Deacon	Elder		Located	Superannuated.....	Presiding Elder.....	Effective.....	Delegate to the General Conference.	
Prickitt, S. B. D.....	1840	Georgia.....	17	Clerk	1867	1869	West Va.....	1867	1869	1871	On Trial.....	14	3	18	.....	.....	Effective
Pribble, U.....	1833	Virginia.....	20	Teacher	1858	1860	" "	1858	1860	1862	" "	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	"
Price, C. J.....	1856	"	12	"	1877	1878	" "	1877	1878	1880	" "	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	"
Rexroad, J. C.....	1843	"	23	Farmer	1872	1874	" "	1872	1874	1876	" "	.....	1	13	.....	.....	"
Rider, M. W.....	1842	"	9	"	1866	1868	" "	1866	1868	1870	" "	.....	.....	18	.....	.....	"
Riheldaffer, W. G.....	1846	"	17	Mechanic.....	1874	1876	" "	1874	1876	1877	" "	.....	2	12	.....	.....	"
Rogers, G.....	1842	"	10	Farmer	1866	1868	" "	1866	1868	1871	" "	.....	.....	18	.....	.....	"
Ryan, T. P.....	1833	"	32	"	1873	1875	" "	1873	1875	1877	" "	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	"
Roberts, L. W.....	1852	"	15	Teacher	1879	1881	" "	1879	1881	1876	By Credentials.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	"
Rogers, B. F.....	1829	"	19	Farmer	1859	1861	" "	1859	1861	1863	On Trial.....	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	"
Scott, H.....	1842	"	23	"	1876	1877	" "	1876	1876	1879	" "	3	2	7	.....	.....	Superannuated
Shaw, W. H.....	1836	"	14	"	1856	1858	" "	1856	1858	1860	" "	3	5	6	.....	.....	"
Shackelford, C. R.....	1847	Mississippi.....	19	"	1876	1877	" "	1876	1877	1879	" "	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	Effective
Sharpes, W. J.....	1836	Virginia.....	17	Teacher	1869	1871	" "	1869	1871	1873	" "	.....	.....	16	.....	.....	"
Snodgrass, J. F.....	1828	"	26	Farmer	1871	1873	" "	1871	1866	1870	" "	.....	2	12	.....	.....	Supernumerary
Stevens, A.....	1819	"	16	Teacher	1848	1850	" "	1848	1850	1852	" "	.....	22	15	.....	.....	Effective
Stewart, L. L.....	1845	Penna.....	16	Farmer	1870	1872	" "	1870	1872	1874	" "	.....	.....	4	15	.....	"
Somerville, N. M.....	1860	Virginia.....	16	"	1881	1883	" "	1881	1883	.....	" "	.....	2	.....	3	.....	"
Trainer, T. H.....	1820	"	20	Mechanic.....	1853	1857	" "	1853	1855	1857	" "	.....	.....	4	32	.....	"
Trippett, C. J.....	.....	"	24	Farmer	1870	1872	" "	1870	1872	1874	" "	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	"
Upton, C. W.....	1843	"	18	Merchant.....	1871	1879	" "	1877	1870	1879	" "	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	"
Wallace, R. M.....	1817	Penna.....	16	Carpenter.....	1854	.....	" "	1854	.....	.....	" "	.....	3	33	.....	.....	Supernumerary
Warman, C.....	1844	Virginia.....	7	Teacher	1875	1877	" "	1875	1874	1878	" "	.....	.....	11	.....	.....	Effective
Warden, J. M.....	1833	"	18	Farmer	1860	1863	" "	1860	1863	1865	" "	.....	.....	1	25	.....	"
Welch, R. S.....	1821	"	19	Teacher	1855	.....	M. P. Ch. W. Va.	1855	1857	1859	Rec'd from M. P. Church.....	.....	.....	31	.....	.....	"
Webb, J. W.....	1826	"	15	"	1854	1856	West Va.....	1854	1856	1858	On Trial.....	.....	8	31	.....	1	"
West, J. B.....	1799	"	21	"	1822	1824	Baltimore.....	1822	1824	1826	Tr. when W. Va. was org'd.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Superannuated
White, W. R.....	1820	Dist. Col'a.....	18	Teacher	1844	1846	" "	1844	1846	1848	By Transfer.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	Effective
Williams, G. H.....	1844	Virginia.....	25	Farmer	1874	1876	West Va.....	1874	1876	1877	On Trial.....	.....	1	.....	11	.....	"
Williams, J. A.....	1816	"	21	"	1848	1852	" "	1848	1844	1848	" "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
W oodruff, E. C.....	1844	Penna.....	9	Teacher	1869	1871	" "	1869	1871	1876	" "	.....	.....	16	.....	.....	Effective

NOTE.—Members whose names do not appear, please send Biography to the Secretary sometime during the year.

56 *Roll of General Conference Delegates.*

1852.

DELEGATES.

S. G. J. Worthington and Moses Tichenel.

RESERVES.

Hezikiah Z. Adams.

1856.

DELEGATES.

Gideon Martin, James Drummond, and Gordon Battelle.

RESERVES.

William Lynch and William Hunter.

1860.

DELEGATES.

Gordon Battelle, James Drummond, and William Hunter.

RESERVES.

John L. Irwin and Gideon Martin.

1864.

DELEGATES.

John W. Reger, James Drummond, and James L. Clark.

RESERVES.

T. H. Monroe and Alexander Martin.

1868.

DELEGATES.

A. J. Lyda, Gideon Martin, and Alexander Martin.

RESERVES.

J. L. Irwin and J. B. Blakeney.

1872.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.

Alexander Martin, J. Wesley Webb, S. Steele, and Gideon Martin.

RESERVES.

B. Ison and D. H. K. Dix.

LAY DELEGATES.

Hon. C. D. Hubbard and Hon. W. T. Willey.

RESERVES.

Dr. T. H. Logan and Nathan Goff, Sr.

1876.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.

J. W. W. Bolton, J. M. Powell, and D. H. K. Dix.

RESERVES.

A. Hall and F. Ball.

LAY DELEGATES.

G. W. Atkinson and Hon. B. F. Martin.

RESERVES.

John J. Brown and Hon. C. F. Scott.

1880.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.

Thomas B. Hughes, John R. Thompson, and James L. Clark.

RESERVES.

Winfield C. Snodgrass and Samuel E. Steele.

LAY DELEGATES.

Hon. W. T. Willey and Hon. H. C. McWhorter.

RESERVES.

Dr. T. H. Logan and Hon. C. F. Scott.

1884.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.

Benjamin Ison, F. H. J. King, and George C. Wilding.

RESERVES.

E. W. Ryan and William R. White.

LAY DELEGATES.

A. L. Wade and Charles F. Scott.

RESERVES.

J. C. McGrew and Frank Woods.

Supernumerary and Superannuated Preachers' Directory.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

NAMES.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CONNECTED WITH.
G. R. Copeland.....	Dallas.....	Marshall.....	W. Va.	Dallas.
J. T. Carroll.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha	"	Coal River.
S. R. Dawson.....	Ellenboro.....	Ritchie.....	"	Ellenboro.
D. H. K. Dix.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
E. Ford.....	Raccoon.....	Preston	W. Va.	.....
J. W. Hess.....	Smithville.....	Ritchie	"	Smithville.
S. Hitchens.....	Morgantown...	Monongalia..	"	Morgantown.
E. D. W. King.....	Jackson C. H...	Jackson	"	Ripley.
M. McNeel.....	Smithville.....	Ritchie	"	Smithville.
W. G. Matton.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
N. M. Sommerville...	West Milford...	Harrison.....	W. Va.	West Milford.
R. M. Wallace.....	Clarksburg.....	"	"	Clarksburg.
E. C. Woodruff.....	St. George.....	Tucker	"	St. George.
R. L. Woodyard... ..	Parkersburg...	Wood.....	"	Valley Mills.

SUPERANNUATES.

NAMES.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CONNECTED WITH.
D. S. Benedum.....	Cherry Camp..	Harrison.....	W. Va.	Cherry Camp.
John Birkett.....	Holton.....	.....	Kansas	Holton.
Robt. Brooks.....	St. Albans.....	Kanawha	W. Va.	St. Albans.
R. L. Brooks.....	Selbyville..	Upshur.....	"	Canaan.
C. Connor.....	Moundsville...	Marshall.....	"	Moundsville.
Geo. Crosfield.....	Berkley Spri'gs	Morgan	"	Berkley Springs.
A. Dixon.....	Mountain Cove	Fayette.....	"	Mountain Cove.
J. J. Dolliver.....	Ft. Dodge.....	Webster.....	Iowa.	Ft. Dodge.
J. N. Eckess.....	Middleton.....	Wilson.....	Kansas	Middleton.
Benj. Hagar.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha	W. Va.	Charleston.
Robt. Laughlin.....	Spraggs.....	Greene	Penna.	.....
J. S. Laughlin.....	Deer Park.....	Garrett.....	Md.	Deer Park.
L. E. Leslie.....	Cotton Hill.....	Fayette.....	W. Va.	Fayette.
G. W. Matheny	Charleston.....	Kanawha .....	"	.....
D. A. McGinnis.....	Mole Hill.....	Ritchie.....	"	Centerville.
R. Northercraft.....	Ellenboro.....	"	"	Ellenboro.
J. B. Pinchen.....	West Milford ..	Harrison.....	"	West Milford.
John W. Reger.....	Buckhannon ..	Upshur.....	"	Buckhannon.
V. Sanford.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha	"	Charleston.
H. Scott.....	Malden.....	"	"	Malden.
J. B. West.....	Sistersville	Tyler.....	"	Sistersville.
Wm. Wriston.....	Raleigh C. H	Raleigh	"	Raleigh.
J. A. Williams.....	West Milford...	Harrison.....	"	West Milford.

Sessions of the West Virginia Annual Conference.

No.	YEAR.	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1	1848	July 4.....	Wheeling	Hamline.....	Charles Cook
2	1849	October 5...	Clarksburg.....	Waugh.....	Alex. Martin
3	1850	June 5.....	Parkersburg	Janes.....	Alex. Martin
4	1851	June 4.....	Charleston.....	Morris.....	Alex. Martin
5	1852	June 10....	Morgantown.....	*Simpson.....	Alex. Martin
6	1853	June 8.....	Weston.....	Baker	Alex. Martin
7	1854	May 30.....	Fairmont.....	Scott	Alex. Martin
8	1855	May 31.....	Wheeling	Morris.....	Alex. Martin
9	1856	June 12.....	Buckhannon	Ames	S. R. Dawson
10	1857	April 16.....	Moundsville.....	Simpson	S. R. Dawson
11	1858	April 15.....	Charleston.....	Ames	S. R. Dawson
12	1859	April 20....	Parkersburg	Morris.....	S. R. Dawson
13	1860	March 14...	Morgantown.....	Scott	S. R. Dawson
14	1861	March 13...	Wheeling	Baker	Samuel Steele
15	1862	March 12...	Parkersburg	Scott	Samuel Steele
16	1863	March 18...	Fairmont	Morris.....	Alex. Martin
17	1864	March 16...	Parkersburg	Morris.....	Alex. Martin
18	1865	March 8....	Wheeling	Janes.....	Alex. Martin
19	1866	March 21....	Morgantown	Clark	Alex. Martin
20	1867	March 14....	Catlettsburg, Ky...	Thomson.....	Alex. Martin
21	1868	March 11....	Moundsville.....	Kingsley	Samuel Steele
22	1869	March 11....	Clarksburg.....	Ames	Alex. Martin
23	1870	March 10....	Charleston.....	Thomson.....	J. L. Clark
24	1871	March 9....	Parkersburg	Clark	J. L. Clark
25	1872	March 6.....	Wheeling	Simpson.....	J. L. Clark
26	1873	March 5.....	Guyandotte.....	Andrews	J. L. Clark
27	1874	March 11....	Fairmont	Scott	J. L. Clark
28	1875	March 3.....	Point Pleasant	Bowman	J. L. Clark
29	1876	March 15....	Wheeling	Harris	J. C. Clark
30	1877	March 11....	Grafton	Ames	J. C. Clark
31	1877	October 4...	Charleston.....	Scott	J. C. Clark
32	1878	October 10.	Parkersburg	Harris.....	Geo. C. Wilding
33	1879	October 1...	Morgantown.....	Simpson.....	Geo. C. Wilding
34	1880	October 14.	Huntington	Peck	Geo. C. Wilding
35	1881	October 5....	Moundsville.....	Foster.....	Geo. C. Wilding
36	1882	October 4....	Clarksburg.....	Andrews	Geo. C. Wilding
37	1883	October 10.	Wheeling	Harris.....	Geo. C. Wilding
38	1884	October 1...	Buckhannon.....	Walden.....	Geo. C. Wilding
39	1885	Sept. 24....	Charleston.....	Merrill.....	W. G. Riheldaffer

*This was the first Conference held by Bishop Simpson.

Widows who are Conference Claimants.

No.	NAMES.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
1	S. Burns	Troy.....	Miami.....	Ohio
2	Marie L. Battelle, 36 Bromfield St.,	Boston.....	Suffolk	Mass.
3	Ellen Irwin.....	Fairmont	Marian	West Virginia
4	Sarah F. Blundon	Charleston.....	Kanawha	"
5	Eliza J. Richmond.....	Dallas.....	Marshall.....	"
6	Julia C. Hartley.....	New Martinsville.....	Wetzel.....	"
7	Selina Monroe.....	Point Pleasant	Mason	"
8	Laura Hetherly.....	Round Bottom.....	Wayne	"
9	Sidney Weaver	Uplands.....	Delaware	"
10	Jane Parriott.....	Cameron	Marshall.....	Penn.
11	Elnonah Young	French Creek.....	Upshur.....	West Virginia
12	Mary C. Heaston.....	Connotton.....	Harrison.....	"

Roll of the Honored Dead of the West Virginia Conference. ["They rest from their Labors, and their Works do follow them."]

No.	NAME.	PLACE OF DEATH.	DATE OF DEATH.	Conference Relation at Time of Death.	Age.	Years Effective.
1	George Deemer.....	Wayne County, West Va.....	October 9, 1851.....	Effective	28	2
2	Abraham Laughridge.....	Granville, " ".....	April 22, 1854.....	On Trial.....	32	1
3	Silas Burns.....	South Wheeling, " ".....	December 25, 1854.....	Effective.....	26	3
4	William Summers.....	Martin's Ferry, Ohio.....	March 29, 1855.....	Superannuated.....	58	20
5	Eli McLaughlin.....	Ripley, West Va.....	April 3, 1855.....	On Trial.....	30	2
6	Alpheus Robe.....	Clinton Furnace, West Va.....	December 4, 1855.....	Effective.....	33	2
7	Jesse Freeland.....	Kingwood, " ".....	June 6, 1856.....	Superannuated.....	40	.....
8	James A. Young.....	Pruntytown, " ".....	 1857.....	On Trial.....	.....	1
9	Gordon Battelle.....	Washington, D. C.....	August 7, 1862.....	Effective.....	47	17
10	Jacob S. Patterson.....	Knightstown, Indiana.....	July 10, 1864.....	Superannuated.....	45	21
11	Paul Vandervort.....	Jollytown, Pennsylvania.....	August 26, 1865.....	Effective.....	37	10
12	William R. Carroll.....	Near Kingwood, West Va.....	July 20, 1867.....	Superannuated.....	38	4
13	W. D. Warman.....	Ravenswood, " ".....	 1868.....	Effective.....	.....	7
14	Philip Green.....	Near Lumberport, " ".....	January 24, 1870.....	Superannuated.....	80	44
15	Allen B. Smith.....	Buffalo, " ".....	May 19, 1870.....	Effective.....	43	6
16	John L. Irwin.....	Fairmont, " ".....	April 26, 1871.....	Effective.....	59	40
17	George Monroe.....	Point Pleasant, " ".....	August 8, 1872.....	Superannuated.....	69	25
18	Edgar B. Blundon.....	Burning Springs, " ".....	March 6, 1873.....	Effective.....	37	7
19	George W. Richmond.....	Wheeling, " ".....	March 16, 1874.....	Effective.....	41	17
20	Thomas M. Hartley.....	West Liberty, " ".....	May 3, 1875.....	Effective.....	33	11
21	Michael Dowler.....	Marshal County, " ".....	November 29, 1875.....	Superannuated.....	70	6
22	Moses Tichenel.....	Rosemond, Illinois.....	May 23, 1876.....	Superannuated.....	70	38
23	Wilson L. Hindman.....	Moundsville, West Va.....	March 17, 1877.....	Effective.....	56	28
24	J. G. Blair.....	Fairmont, " ".....	December 23, 1878.....	Effective.....	63	36
25	Francis M. Hughes.....	Cameron, " ".....	September 13, 1879.....	Effective.....	32	12
26	J. C. Sidebottom.....	Barboursville, " ".....	 1881.....	Superannuated.....	44	7
27	Francis Guthrie.....	Gallipolis, Ohio.....	July 7, 1881.....	Superannuated.....	80	45
28	S. D. Jones.....	Williamstown, West Va.....	March 1, 1881.....	Superannuated.....	75	.....
29	L. D. Heatherly.....	Round Bottom, Wayne Co., W. Va.....	December 13, 1882.....	Superannuated.....	26	5
30	J. G. Weaver.....	Upland, Pennsylvania.....	May 19, 1883.....	Superannuated.....	48	20
31	G. W. Parriott.....	Near Cameron, West Va.....	November 8, 1883.....	Effective.....	49	10
32	W. H. Young.....	Middlebourne, " ".....	May, 1884.....	Effective.....	38	14
33	David M. Heaston.....	Buckhannon, " ".....	November 11, 1884.....	Effective.....	38	8

Progressive Growth of the West Virginia Conference.

YEARS.	No. of Members of the Confer- ence and on trial	No. of Church Members and Probationers....	Number of Churches.	Value of Churches.	Number of Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages.	Number of Sun- day Schools.....	Number of Offi- cers and Teach- ers	Number of Scholars.	Missionary Collections.	For Conference Clergymen.	For Church Extension.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Ministerial Support	Average Salary Paid Preachers..
2nd Session, October, 1849.....	53	14278	.....	.....	.....	.....	143	1151	5064	\$ 663	\$ 92	.....	.....	\$ 5030	\$110
3rd " June, 1850.....	57	14201	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	811	96	.....	.....	\$ 5145	138
4th " June, 1851.....	64	15191	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1011	134	.....	.....	9690	167
5th " June, 1852.....	72	16780	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1963	129	.....	.....	13787	181
6th " June, 1853.....	81	18325	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1694	190	.....	.....	15864	217
7th " May, 1854.....	89	18600	.....	.....	.....	.....	222	2190	9070	2455	192	.....	.....	18542	223
8th " May, 1855.....	84	19249	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1858	144	.....	.....	19795	230
9th " June, 1856.....	86	19074	.....	.....	.....	.....	202	1949	9190	2458	143	.....	.....	20843	270
10th " April, 1857.....	89	19426	.....	.....	.....	.....	214	2081	9368	.....	140	.....	.....	.....	.....
11th " April, 1858.....	100	21500	244	\$153650	27	\$14390	201	1785	8950	2280	162	.....	.....	20883	257
12th " April, 1859.....	101	22288	282	171751	28	15103	256	2162	11833	2039	187	.....	.....	21544	256
13th " March, 1860.....	100	22551	286	183270	29	14308	275	2520	11533	1735	167	.....	.....	22799	227
14th " March, 1861.....	94	21985	290	177495	28	13875	259	2598	11241	1348	99	.....	.....	24048	258
15th " March, 1862.....	85	16750	229	162475	22	13000	137	1308	6276	1220	69	.....	.....	14371	205
16th " March, 1863.....	84	14122	219	157060	26	14225	154	1517	7080	2394	133	.....	.....	17284	270
17th " March, 1864.....	84	15207	220	175510	26	13975	175	1824	8747	3571	34	.....	.....	19063	340
18th " March, 1865.....	92	14955	214	195000	27	20800	189	1808	9223	3595	968	.....	.....	24395	406
19th " March, 1866.....	86	20513	252	206000	28	26855	225	2211	11600	4100	891	.....	.....	29294	406
20th " March, 1867.....	89	27004	253	234925	33	18180	306	2876	16321	2507	584	.....	.....	33972	487
21st " March, 1868.....	99	28201	280	362225	32	36050	389	3450	18162	2828	918	.....	.....	48897	474
22nd " March, 1869.....	101	25288	280	350035	33	41190	379	3679	18532	3027	805	\$ 27	.....	47343	557
23rd " March, 1870.....	104	28111	293	386630	35	47850	357	3256	17801	3204	905	50	\$ 51	47807	556
24th " March, 1871.....	122	28332	316	398350	35	48850	369	3393	18871	3207	841	69	.....	57184	530
25th " March, 1872.....	135	29115	336	451988	34	49795	383	3515	18523	3344	921	427	43	61122	541
26th " March, 1873.....	145	27167	336	474950	36	46525	384	3357	18183	3135	726	193	35	66164	537
27th " March, 1874.....	160	28855	365	530825	43	48600	355	3451	18959	3395	816	186	81	60312	511
28th " March, 1875.....	159	31413	365	543155	49	62300	428	3874	21112	3659	1021	218	101	70723	561
29th " March, 1876.....	149	34178	377	579575	52	64550	469	3977	22985	3322	969	197	105	69698	580
30th " March, 1877.....	150	33338	369	492750	50	65300	473	3743	22350	3527	765	169	89	61598	513
31st " *October, 1877.....	155	30819	373	555500	54	97040	458	3873	23446	1992	642	176	153	28897	229
32nd " October, 1878.....	155	32717	374	561750	56	60270	446	3904	22251	2367	827	234	200	55890	437
33rd " October, 1879.....	157	32157	384	515450	57	60850	461	3920	24778	2519	994	221	173	53390	430
34th " October, 1880.....	153	33330	394	551310	59	59350	486	4661	26125	2779	1090	281	201	57500	504
35th " October, 1881.....	156	33067	414	575250	61	70276	486	4229	26143	3026	1532	301	211	60540	438
36th " October, 1882.....	163	34051	417	573630	63	74070	450	4066	22221	3314	1878	319	283	63323	453
37th " October, 1883.....	169	34325	437	578000	66	88775	498	4452	26768	3585	1930	319	263	63534	430
38th " October, 1884.....	166	34640	445	615418	70	81075	515	4643	27767	3368	1825	300	255	66291	459
39th " Sept., 1885.....	162	35530	452	631335	74	85175	507	4546	27882	3199	1559	309	272	62924	425

*N. B.—This Conference year embraced but six months, the time of meeting being changed from Spring to Fall.



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Morgantown, Wheeling and Oakland Districts,

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NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.....	No. of Full Members.....	No. of Local Preachers.....	No. of Deaths.....	No. of Children Baptized.....	No. of Adults Baptized.....	No. of Churches.....	Probable Value.....	No. of Parsonages.....	Probable Value.....	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property.....	Present indebtedness on Church property.....	Current expenses, (sexton, light, fuel, etc.).....
Morgantown District.														
Arnettsville.....	17	352	2	7	.....	5	6	2800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20
Blacksville.....	6	337	2	9	.....	32	4	5000	.....	.....	.....	100	.....	40
Burton.....	9	143	5	3	.....	.....	1	450	1	275	50	.....	.....	.....
Grafton.....	6	334	.....	3	4	1	1	15000	1	1500	150	300	284	210
Halleck.....	6	308	.....	1	.....	41	1	5200	1	250	5	.....	35	40
Jollytown.....	1	380	3	15	1	15	8	8600	1	500	150	15	.....	50
Kingwood.....	5	147	.....	.....	1	1	2	11500	1	2500	53	.....	.....	90
Knottsville.....	15	311	.....	6	5	13	5	6000	1	400	1000	.....	.....	15
Masontown.....	12	277	.....	3	3	22	7	6920	1	700	183	158	500	27
Monongalia.....	.....	282	3	5	.....	5	6	3500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
Morgantown Station	9	229	2	2	4	3	5	10000	1	1500	175	80	40	220
" Circuit	1	350	2	3	4	2	3	4000	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	50
Palatine.....	7	256	1	2	1	2	3	4800	1	600	.....	.....	100	80
Smithtown.....	.....	271	2	4	.....	18	4	4000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	94	4078	24	65	23	163	60	87770	9	8225	1766	653	889	867
Wheeling District.														
Benwood.....	9	109	1	2	21	.....	1	4500	.....	.....	40	58	65	88
Cameron.....	13	195	.....	1	3	.....	2	3000	1	1600	30	.....	.....	82
Dallas.....	.....	220	.....	.....	8	.....	2	5000	1	1000	12	.....	100	100
Greene.....	18	253	4	5	.....	18	7	2400	1	250	25	.....	.....	28
Fulton.....	5	45	.....	1	15	3	2	1400	.....	.....	.....	.....	1000	40
Marshall.....	.....	275	3	6	5	20	4	4200	1	800	.....	9	.....	75
Moundsville Station	20	318	1	1	17	14	1	16000	1	1000	125	.....	200	262
" Circuit	6	566	1	4	83	37	6	6500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	90
N. Martinsville Sta.	16	66	.....	2	3	6	1	3000	.....	.....	.....	46	9	5
" Cir.	8	90	1	1	.....	.....	4	3300	.....	.....	.....	15	10	.....
Pleasant Valley.....	11	318	1	4	6	7	5	5000	.....	.....	150	.....	.....	.....
Short Creek & Liberty	4	190	.....	1	12	6	2	12000	1	1350	.....	.....	.....	100
Triadelphia.....	5	167	.....	4	29	13	1	7000	1	2500	25	75	.....	100
Wheeling, Chapline St.	8	245	1	4	18	6	1	7500	1	2500	351	.....	.....	125
" Fourth St.	22	394	.....	7	18	1	1	70000	1	12000	.....	.....	7492	1248
" North St.	3	262	.....	3	37	4	1	12000	1	1600	.....	.....	3000	530
" Thomson St.	8	209	1	3	13	2	1	16000	1	2000	716	.....	.....	221
" Wesley Ch.	7	169	1	3	17	8	1	4000	.....	65	.....	.....	.....	152
" Zane St.	2	214	2	1	26	9	1	15000	1	3000	362	90	2000	250
	165	4305	17	53	331	154	44	197800	12	29600	1901	293	13876	3496
Oakland District.														
Albrightsville.....	64	346	2	3	17	18	4	4500	1	400	.....	88	33	25
Brandonville.....	3	470	1	7	2	16	6	8000	1	400	.....	25	.....	.....
Cranesville.....	10	169	.....	1	1	4	2	1800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14
Deer Park.....	47	221	3	6	20	8	3	2250	.....	.....	70	111	450	20
Evansville.....	12	277	1	3	1	2	5	4500	1	600	7	175	89	12
Grantsville.....	3	165	.....	.....	12	12	3	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Newburg.....	31	152	1	2	12	3	1	2000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oakland.....	29	315	2	3	15	10	2	3700	1	1500	785	50	50	175
Pleasant Grove.....	65	276	1	4	1	3	7	3500	1	300	25	.....	40	60
Randolph Mission	31	86	.....	1	.....	.....	1	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rowlesburg.....	9	195	2	1	13	11	2	2700	1	550	420	.....	100	50
Selbysport & Johnsto'n	.....	372	4	2	13	17	7	5750	1	450	45	30	150	70
St. George and Aurora	5	206		1	4		7	3500	1	500				
	309	3250	17	34	111	104	50	44725	8	4700	1352	479	912	426

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No. of Schools.....	No. of Officers and Teachers.....	No. of Scholars of all ages.....	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.....	For Sunday School Union.....	For Tract Society.....	For Freedmen's Aid Society.....	For Education.....	For American Bible Society.....	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.....	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.....	For Pastor, Presiding Elder, and Bishops.....	For Conference Chairmen.....
			From Churches.....	From Sunday Schools.....	Total.....										
7 4 4 1 5 9 2 5 5 5 1 5 2 1	70 38 39 22 26 47 29 27 46 49 18 46 20	395 261 202 261 300 300 239 275 270 320 150 303 150	14 6 63 4 15 30 8 10 12 65 9 7 3	11 7 7 5 2 40 2 6 12 15 6	25 6 70 4 20 10 70 16 18 80 15 3	1 2 3 1 4 10 3 1 10 2 1	1 2 1 1	1 1	2 1 5 2 1	 7 4 16 5 2	2 5 17 31 1 9 37	 25 1 11 9	400 353 247 1145 270 737 815 577 640 469 996 565 393 151	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	2 10 1 21 2 20 35 6 7 5 55 5 3
56	497	3421	246	98	344	38	6	4	36	34	49	115	.....	7758	172
1 2 3 8 1 4 1 7 1 5 5 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	25 19 38 86 11 60 39 15 18 25 25 22 12 33 41 30 29 20 23	175 97 200 275 130 292 350 449 75 240 275 91 85 225 295 350 305 265 178	 32 10 5 12 55 17 1 9 34 46 331 12 46 15	10 14 24 6 5 17 168 3 12 55 101 329 25 37 130 16 25	10 46 24 6 5 17 168 6 3 21 60 37 130 16 25	3 4 1 1 1 2 27 3 3 3 2 15 40 12 14 5 4	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	6 3 1 1 4 1 8 6 5 ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	557 731 78 416 329 766 1109 852 281 32 490 740 566 1227 3414 983 1315 851 1080	4 10 6 4 3 40 54 7 2 8 30 10 60 279 25 66 3 14
47	682	4352	641	720	1361	137	34	42	127	129	81	286	.....	15817	425
9 8 6 10 5 3 2 3 7 6 6 8 7	99 60 37 40 46 26 23 49 71 47 25 87 56	415 400 240 300 201 175 158 300 439 249 280 503 260	16 20 10 29 14 45 32 46 15 1 28 12	4 9 7 2 6 8 15	20 20 10 38 21 47 38 54 30 1 32 13	1 5 2 1 2 7 2 1 1 1	1 1 1 1	4 1 1 1	1 5 2 2 7 2 1	1 1 1 3 11 2	1 1 1 8 3 1	15 ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	468 555 267 522 442 326 568 868 348 340 459 520 440	10 10 1 19 10 2 10 27 10 3 5 2
80	668	3920	268	56	329	22	9	11	21	27	17	16	.....	6123	109

Clarksburg, Buchhannon and Parkersburg Districts, [Table No. 1.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.....	No. of Full Members.....	No. of Local Preachers.....	No. of Deaths.....	No. of Children Baptized.....	No. of Adults Baptized.....	No. of Churches.....	Probable Value.....	No. of Parsonages.....	Probable Value.....	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property.....	Present indebtedness on Church Property.....	Current expenses (sexton, light, fuel, etc.).....
Clarksburg District.														
Bridgeport.....	25	275	1	3	.....	50	6	5000	.....	.....	2	18	.....	10
Cherry Camp.....	5	360	4	3	.....	12	6	3000	1	500	.....	.....	75	.....
Clarksburg.....	26	243	2	2	2	20	1	11000	1	1800	30	.....	125	.....
Fairmont.....	18	125	.....	4	6	6	1	6000	1	1500	205	.....	109	.....
Logansport.....	35	306	1	5	.....	25	5	3000	1	500	.....	43	280	.....
Lumberport.....	28	380	1	3	.....	50	6	2300	1	500	125	.....	25	100
Mannington.....	19	396	5	7	.....	31	5	7500	1	800	2300	1600	1100	75
Marion.....	10	278	2	3	.....	15	6	6000	1	1000	.....	.....	20	.....
Pine Grove.....	71	289	6	5	2	34	4	2500	.....	.....	100	.....	30	.....
Pruntytown.....	10	248	1	1	.....	19	4	8100	1	1800	185	.....	90	.....
Smithton.....	13	276	1	6	1	5	6	3500	1	500	.....	.....	50	10
West Milford.....	36	477	4	5	.....	23	8	7000	1	600	75	50	15	200
Wilsonburg.....	20	342	1	4	.....	28	8	6400	1	500	100	20	230	80
Worthington.....	8	143	2	2	.....	.....	4	2150	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
	324	4138	31	53	11	318	70	73450	11	10000	3122	1731	1775	899
Buckhannon District.														
Belington.....	5	494	2	4	4	24	7	3000	.....	.....	.....	125	50	.....
Buckhannon Station.....	10	159	1	3	.....	.....	1	7000	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	.....
" Circuit.....	11	480	1	17	.....	16	8	7000	1	900	2200	.....	40	.....
Beverly.....	.....	262	5	2	2	5	3	2000	1	1000	50	.....	40	.....
Blue Springs.....	.....	15	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Canaan.....	44	464	.....	6	.....	10	9	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Freemansburg.....	12	339	2	1	2	23	6	4540	1	900	.....	23	.....	.....
Frenchton.....	18	455	2	1	9	13	8	5000	1	1000	400	.....	54	100
Glenville.....	18	466	2	8	.....	2	7	5200	1	800	565	.....	200	25
Phillippi.....	3	465	1	2	1	18	7	6050	1	1000	20	.....	113	.....
South Buckhannon.....	30	540	3	5	2	15	8	4500	.....	.....	100	.....	100	.....
Sutton.....	4	433	2	12	9	5	5	4000	1	500	600	.....	800	25
Webster.....	40	157	.....	.....	14	.....	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Weston.....	.....	112	.....	2	1	.....	1	2500	1	2500	60	.....	60	.....
	195	4841	22	63	44	131	71	53290	8	8600	3995	148	1004	703
Parkersburg District.														
Belleville.....	6	211	.....	3	15	28	3	2000	.....	.....	25	.....	50	.....
Centerville.....	16	499	5	3	2	125	7	3600	1	500	365	.....	325	6
Elizabeth.....	.....	320	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	6000	1	750	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ellenboro.....	12	400	2	8	.....	22	6	7000	1	700	835	.....	20	.....
Harrisville.....	14	425	2	4	1	2	7	6500	1	800	20	.....	100	.....
Middlebourne.....	28	350	6	5	4	24	4	3000	1	400	100	.....	250	.....
Parkersburg Station.....	5	318	.....	3	6	9	1	33000	1	7000	71	.....	226	.....
" Circuit.....	6	400	2	2	.....	33	8	8000	1	1000	125	.....	140	65
" Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasants.....	28	120	1	2	1	28	2	500	.....	.....	200	.....	.....	.....
Ravenswood.....	3	292	.....	2	8	7	4	4000	1	1200	.....	28	.....	140
Sistersville.....	17	185	2	.....	1	22	4	5000	.....	.....	1700	.....	65	.....
Shiloh.....	12	322	.....	4	2	16	6	2100	.....	.....	20	.....	40	.....
Valley Mills.....	14	216	4	2	.....	.....	6	3700	1	500	15	.....	17	.....
Volcano.....	16	118	.....	.....	5	7	1	1000	1	300	.....	.....	25	.....
West Union.....	3	134	1	2	1	5	4	5200	.....	.....	1600	.....	.....	.....
Williamstown.....	8	65	1		1		1	2000			116	45		45
	188	4375	26	40	47	328	70	92600	10	13150	3192	73	715	799

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			From Churches.....	From Sunday Schools.....	Total.....										
3	28	180	8	5	13	2	2	1			1			420	4
6	20	225	5	2	7	3			1					265	5
1	16	170	6	14	20	2		1	2	6	7			820	6
1	15	120	10	15	25	2		1	3	1	6	10		618	6
4	30	240	6	2	8					3				335	3
4	41	213	31	2	33	1	1	1	2	3				501	3
5	50	300	20	6	26					3	1			555	5
4	46	174	6	4	10	1	1		1	3	7			383	7
4	36	200	2		2	1								268	
2	17	121	8		10	2	1			3				499	5
4	39	230	3		5									242	3
8	104	476	46	4	50	5	2	1	3	20	3			824	20
7	55	356	14	7	21	1			1	9				516	8
1	5	17	5		5	2			1					255	3
54	502	3022	170	65	235	22	9	5	14	48	25	10		6301	78
9	61	440	13	4	17									503	3
1	15	95	23	8	31	4	3	4	3	13	11	15		805	8
8	65	300	35		35	3	1	1	2	2	1			579	10
1	44	230	5		5									263	2
12	70	386	10		10	5								45	
7	63	412	14	11	25				1			1		245	5
8	78	301	25	1	26	4	2	1	3					378	10
2	18	70	6		6	1			2	3	2			629	7
8	79	407	12	3	15	5			5	1				551	3
10	54	490	12	15	27	1	1	1	1	1	6	1		502	14
8	70	420	10		10	1	1		1	1	1	1		644	10
5	37	139	3		3				1					583	3
1	10	123	17	6	23					5	10			170	2
86	669	3843	185	48	233	27	8	7	18	26	32	17		526	7
														6423	82
5	38	220	3	2	5	2			2	2				509	3
5	40	200	4	1	5									489	4
7	48	500													
6	30	300	10		10						5			791	
7	70	365	25		25	4	1	1	3	2	2			720	15
4	30	220	6	3	9	1			1	6				572	7
1	30	242	285	23	308	10	3	3	17	9	28	52	271	1600	50
6	45	300	7	13	20	1			1	1				707	9
														121	
5	46	227	17	4	21	1	1				3			662	5
4	37	195	22	8	30	7	1	1	7	1	4			701	25
4	42	186	24	6	30	5	1	1	5	1	1			525	20
5	46	178	4	1	5				1	2		1		243	3
1	11	82	15		15	2			3					395	6
4	40	215	9	1	10						7			484	15
1	9	60	3	3	6	2			2	5				427	5
65	562	3490	434	65	499	38	8	6	42	29	50	53	271	8946	1167

Charleston, Guyandotte and New River Districts,

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Charleston District.														
Charleston Station.....	4	177	2	2	3	9	1	12000			180		2200	300
" Circuit.....	27	197	2	3		6	2	1600	1	400				10
Clifton and Mason.....		233		5	15	22	3	7300	1	500	80		550	120
East Charleston.....	67	270		5		16	2	1100	1	200	200			
Hartford City.....	30	207	2	4	14	17	2	2500	1	800	750			36
Letart and Leon.....	12	202	2	4	5	13	5	3000			15			40
Malden.....	8	175	1	2			2	2000	1	500			35	
Mill Creek.....		153												
Point Pleasant.....	13	103				13	2	4000	1	3000	150	82	2700	45
Raymond City.....		92												
Ripley.....	1	123					2	500						
Sandyville.....	22	285	1	3	3	15	2	1000			400	50	150	
Spencer.....	68	358	5	4			5	5100				15		
Smithville.....	13	303	4	2	2	10	7	1550			300			30
Walton.....	15	177	1											
	280	3055	26	34	42	121	35	41650	6	5400	2075	147	5635	581
Guyandotte District.														
Barboursville.....	17	96		2	1	4	3	3500						17
Cassville.....	109	241	1	3	10	40	3	700			50			
Ceredo.....	28	82	1	2		9	2	2300			132		30	
Coal River.....	13	100	1	1		16	2	300						
East Hamline.....	20	82	1			2	2	500						
Fairfield.....	16	71	1	2	7	5	1	2100	1	400	20	110	480	10
Guyandotte.....	10	125				15	1	2500			58			60
Hamline.....	67	177	4	9		2	2	1300	1	350			33	
Huntington.....	46	220	1	5		49	1	3000	1	2000	45	31	630	185
Laurel.....	8	45					1	800						
Monticello.....		176	1	1		1	3	2000			12	12		
St. Albans.....		115				1	1	200			25			10
Wayne.....	29	295	4	4	2	42	5	4000	1	450			235	
Winfield.....	28	170	2	2		7	4	3250	1	500				
	391	1995	16	27	25	190	31	26450	5	3700	342	153	1408	282
New River District.														
Boone.....	17	96	1	1			1	500						
Clay.....	27	90	1	2			1	700			140		160	
Concord.....	20	117		2		11	1	700						
Elk River.....	42	341	6	4	1	9								
Fayette.....	40	148	3	2			3	1000	1	400			19	
Flat Top.....	36	159	5	1		19								
Hinchman's.....	5	153	3	1		3								
Logan.....		62												
Mountain Cove.....	12	208	4	3	1	15	2	2100	1	600				
Nicholas.....	22	384	3	3	30	6	5	3600	1	300	550	170	250	25
Ophelia.....	46	190	1	4	5		4	2350			67			
Oceana.....	81	159	6	3		2								
Pleasant Retreat.....	45	374	8	4	18	51	2	1200	1	200			150	
Quinnimont & Hinton.....		51												
Raleigh.....	65	359	6	4	13	14	2	1500	1	300	300		600	
	441	2891	46	33	68	130	21	13650	5	1800	1057	170	1179	25

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			From Churches.....	From Sunday Schools.....	Total.....												
1	17	150	9	26	35	5	1	1	1	2	7			1185	15		
3	23	171	4	1	5									412	3		
3	30	310		2	2					6				465			
5	40	180	13		13	5	2	2	2	2	4			351	5		
3	38	220	4	4	8	1	1	1		8	15			560	1		
4	20	200	5		5					4				373	1		
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														253	2		
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Recapitulation by Districts.

[Table No. 1.]

DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.....	No. of Full Members.....	No. of Local Preachers.....	No. of Deaths.....	No. of Children Baptized.....	No. of Adults Baptized.....	No. of Churches.....	Probable Value.....	No. of Parsonages.....	Probable Value.....	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.....	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property.....	Present indebtedness on Church Property	Current expenses, (sexton, light, fuel, etc.).....
Morgantown	94	4078	24	65	23	163	60	87770	9	8225	1766	653	889	867
Wheeling	165	4305	17	53	331	154	44	197800	12	29600	1901	293	13876	3496
Oakland.....	309	3250	17	34	111	104	50	44725	8	4700	1352	479	912	426
Clarksburg	324	4138	31	53	11	318	70	73450	11	10000	3122	1731	1775	899
Charleston	280	3055	26	34	42	121	35	41650	6	5400	2075	147	5635	581
Buckhannon	195	4841	22	63	44	131	71	53290	8	8600	3995	148	1004	703
Parkersburg	188	4375	26	40	47	328	70	92600	10	13150	3192	73	715	799
Guyandotte	391	1995	16	27	25	190	31	26450	5	3700	342	153	1408	282
New River.....	441	2891	46	33	68	130	21	13650	5	1800	1057	170	1179	25
Totals	2387	32928	225	402	698	1639	452	631385	74	85175	18802	3847	27393	8078
Increase .....	.....	689	2	107	5	359	7	15967	4	4100	.....	.....	13162	.....
Decrease.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12883	66	.....	717



Table No. 1.]

West Virginia Conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COLLECTIONS.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.	
No. of Schools.....	No. of Officers and Teachers.....	No. of Scholars of all ages.....	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension..	For Sunday School Union.....	For Tract Society.....	For Freedmen's Aid Society.....	For Education.....	For American Bible Society.....	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.....	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.....	For Pastor, Presiding Elder, and Bishops.....	For Conference Chairman.....
			From Churches.....	From Sunday Schools.....	Total.....										
56	497	3421	246	98	344	38	6	4	36	34	49	115	.....	7758	172
47	682	4352	641	720	1361	137	34	42	127	129	81	286	.....	15817	425
80	666	3920	268	56	329	22	9	11	21	27	17	16	.....	6123	109
54	502	3022	170	65	235	22	9	5	14	48	25	10	.....	6301	78
52	432	2913	49	45	94	13	5	5	5	25	36	.....	.....	5347	140
86	669	3843	185	48	233	27	8	7	18	26	32	17	.....	6423	82
65	562	3490	434	65	499	38	8	6	42	29	50	53	271	8946	167
40	272	1706	31	24	55	8	2	2	5	15	19	35	.....	3292	26
27	264	1215	47	2	49	4	.....	.....	4	1	.....	.....	2	2917	21
507	4546	27882	2071	1123	3199	309	81	82	272	334	309	532	273	62924	1220
.....	.....	115	.....	.....	.....	9	15	.....	17	.....	.....	76	273	.....	.....
8	97	.....	88	87	169	.....	.....	5	.....	112	64	.....	.....	3367	207



		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								
NAMES OF CHARGES.	NAMES OF PASTORS	PASTORS.			PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.	
		Claim, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.....	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies	Apportioned	Paid.....	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned.....	Paid
Morgantown District.										
Arnettsville.....	John Conwell.....	400	316	84	50	50	5	5	.....	2
Blacksville.....	J. C. Rexroad.....	360	303	57	50	45	6	5	15	10
Burton.....	Asby Stevens.....	250	210	40	35	35	2	2	.....	1
Grafton.....	Joseph Lee.....	1050	1050	.....	85	85	10	10	22	22
Halleck.....	R. S. Welsh.....	370	238	132	50	50	6	2	35	2
Jollytown.....	Daniel Cool.....	625	561	64	80	80	7	7	20	5
Kingwood.....	A. J. Lyda.....	725	725	.....	80	80	10	10	35	35
Knottsville.....	T. W. Chidester.....	535	535	.....	75	75	9	2	30	6
Masontown.....	James S. Boreman.....	550	550	.....	65	65	9	3	15	5
Monongalia.....	T. H. Trainer.....	400	367	33	60	58	9	7	.....	7
Morgantown Station.....	Clark Crawford.....	900	900	.....	85	85	11	11	55	55
Morgantown Circuit.....	Joseph B. Feather.....	580	490	90	75	69	9	6	40	5
Palatine.....	T. E. Galway.....	435	360	75	35	31	.....	2	.....	3
Smithtown.....	Wm. R. White.....	150	135	15	30	16	.....	.....	.....	.....
		7330	6740	590	855	824	93	72	267	158
Wheeling District.										
Benwood.....	C. J. Price.....	670	515	154	41	41	5	2	15	4
Cameron.....	B. Ison.....	670	670	.....	54	54	7	7	20	11
Dallas.....	G. R. Copeland.....	600	.....	.....	76	76	.....	2	.....	6
Greene.....	T. Richmond.....	435	360	75	52	52	5	4	15	4
Fulton.....	M. W. Atkinson(sup).....	250	250	.....	28	28	.....	2	.....	3
Marshall.....	W. J. Sharpes.....	665	625	40	89	83	12	9	40	16
Moundsville Station.....	W. E. Loomis.....	1000	1000	.....	94	94	15	15	50	54
Moundsville Circuit.....	C. S. Allemong.....	750	750	.....	98	96	.....	6	.....	7
New Martinsville Station.....	A. B. Rohrbaugh.....	525	315	210	40	40	3	1	7	2
New Martinsville Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32	32	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Valley.....	R. E. Woodruff.....	575	432	143	54	54	6	4	12	8
Short Creek and Liberty.....	M. F. Dryden.....	725	725	.....	74	74	16	16	70	30
Triadelphia.....	Thomas Cotton.....	600	600	.....	60	60	6	6	25	10
Wheeling, Chapline St.....	H. C. Sanford.....	1100	1100	.....	106	106	21	21	60	60
“ Fourth St.....	J. E. Smith.....	3100	3100	.....	278	278	36	36	175	279
“ North St.....	J. W. Griffiths.....	1050	1050	.....	70	70	15	13	50	25
“ Thomson.....	S. E. Jones.....	1200	1200	.....	100	100	21	15	66	66
“ Wesley Chapel.....	Spencer King.....	800	665	135	46	46	5	3	12	3
“ Zane St.....	J. Henry Hess.....	1000	1000	.....	70	70	14	10	50	14
		15715	14357	757	1462	1454	187	172	567	602
Oakland District.										
Albrightsville.....	D. A. Friend.....	480	432	48	61	61	5	5	19	10
Brandonville.....	D. Flanigan.....	500	460	40	88	88	7	7	27	10
Cranesville.....	Henry E. Friend (s'p).....	225	208	17	40	40	2	2	7	.....
Deer Park.....	J. W. Bedford.....	550	466	84	54	54	6	6	19	19
Evansville.....	N. L. Baumgardner.....	530	401	129	78	66	6	5	21	10
Grantsville.....	Sanford P. Archer.....	250	266	.....	56	56	4	4	18	2
Newburg.....	G. Rogers.....	500	400	100	62	62	6	6	19	10
Oakland.....	M. W. Rider.....	775	775	.....	86	86	7	7	26	27
Pleasant Grove.....	W. P. Weekly.....	345	320	25	54	53	6	5	21	10
Randolph Mission.....	(A. J. Lyon, 9 mo.....	300	70	154	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
“ (M. Knotts, 3 mo.....	.....	.....	15	60	32	17	2	.....	6	.....
Rowlesburg.....	A. D. Perry.....	450	400	50	60	55	4	4	.....	3
Selbysport and Johnstown.....	F. G. W. Ford.....	492	492	.....	62	62	6	6	.....	5
St. George and Aurora.....	E. C. Woodruff.....	550	425	125	64	64	.....	1	.....	2
		5947	5130	832	797	764	61	58	183	108

Table No. 2.] Clarksburg, Buckhannon and Parkersburg Districts.

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								
NAMES OF CHARGES.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	PASTORS.			PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.	
		Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages,.....	Deficiencies	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.....	Apportioned	Paid.....	Apportioned	Paid.....	Apportioned	Paid.....
Clarksburg District.										
Bridgeport					60	60				
Cherry Camp.....	W. D. Carrico.....	575	450	125	60	45	5	5	20	5
Clarksburg	E. H. Orwen.....	750	750		64	64	6	6		6
Fairmont.....	D. S. Hammond.....	600	560	40	52	52	6	6	20	6
Logansport.....	C. B. Meredith.....	475	380	95	48	48	5	3	15	5
Lumberport.....	A. S. Loveall.....	500	486	14	60	60	7	5	20	3
Mannington.....	C. J. Trippett.....	650	576	74	80	78		1		5
Marion Ct.....	G. Martin.....	500	322	178	80	55	10	6	40	7
Pine Grove.....	A. S. Arnett.....	300	221	79	44	44	5	2		
Pruntytown.....	D. L. Ash.....	600	440	160	60	57	4	2	20	5
Smithton.....	B. F. Rogers.....	436	192	244	48	48	5	2	12	3
	{ H. J. Boatman.....	650	561	89						
West Milford.....	{ D. H. Rider, 8 mo.....	150	127	23	90	90	12	4	50	20
	{ H. L. Ward, 4 mo.....	50	42	8						
Wilsonburg.....	L. W. Roberts.....	500	500		60	60	6	6	24	8
Worthington	James P. McCormack	265	212	53	44	41	5	2	15	3
		7001	5819	1182	850	802	76	50	236	76
Buckhannon District.										
Belington	C. Poling.....	450	440	10	60	60	5	3	20	
Buckhannon Station.....	Samuel Steele.....	700	700		100	100	8	5		8
Buckhannon Circuit.....	Stillman Young (s'p)	475	475		100	100	8	4	30	10
Beverly	Frederick Cottrill.....	470	272	198	60	60	6	1	20	2
Blue Springs.....	Peter Fausler, (sup.).....		20		20	25	1		2	
Canaan.....	C. W. Cox.....	291	199	91	50	44	6	1	20	5
Freemansburg	S. D. Tambllyn.....	350	314	36	60	60	6	4	20	10
Frenchton.....	C. W. Upton.....	755	605	150	100	100	8	4	30	7
Glenville	B. D. Mahone.....	750	475	275	80	74	8	2	25	3
Phillippi.....	W. W. Kelly.....	610	520	90	75	75	8	7	25	14
South Buckhannon.....	W. E. Lovett.....	600	580	20	60	60	6	4		10
Sutton.....	Clemmer Worman.....	650	500	150	80	80	7	2	25	3
Webster.....	E. R. Skidmore.....	200	120	80	50	48	6	1	20	2
Weston.....	J. W. Webb.....	700	572	128	55	55	5		30	7
		7001	5792	1228	950	941	88	38	267	81
Parkersburg District.										
Belleville.....	H. H. Miles.....	550	530	20	75	75	5	4	15	3
Centerville.....	John Norris.....	600	434	166	80	65	3		20	4
Elizabeth	J. W. Lambert.....									
Ellenboro'.....	Geo. W. Grimes.....	700	534	166	85	66	6		8	
Harrisville.....	U. Pribble.....	650	615	35	100	97	9	8	35	15
Middlebourne.....	F. H. J. King.....	660	503	157	80	67	8	2	30	7
Parkersburg Station.....	T. B. Hughes.....	1400	1400		180	180	20	20	70	50
Parkersburg Circuit.....	J. F. Chenoweth.....	700	680	20	100	100	7	7	35	9
Parkersburg Mission.....	J. L. Clarke.....									
Pleasants.....	D. F. Carder.....	379	93	286	35	27				
Ravenswood.....	A. Mick.....	800	589	211	100	69	3	3	5	5
Sistersville.....	L. D. King.....	675	620	55	85	75	7	6	25	25
Shiloh	Wm. H. Cooper.....	450	450		70	70	5	5	20	20
Valley Mills.....	Marion Taylor.....	400	204	196	65	36	5	3	15	3
Volcano.....	Chas. F. Bollinger.....	348	390		50	50	3	3	15	6
West Union.....	R. B. Ward.....	425	292	133	65	56	4	3	15	5
Williamstown.....	C. E. Clark.....	375	375		50	50	3	2	10	5
		9112	7709	1445	1140	1016	80	64	283	150

Charleston, Guyandotte and New River Districts. [Table No. 2.

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT							
NAMES OF CHARGES.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	PASTORS.		PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS	
		Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.....	Deficiencies.....	Apportioned.....	Paid.....	Apportioned.....	Paid.....	Apportioned.....	Paid.....
Charleston District.									
Charleston Station.....	J. A. Fullerton.....	1100	1100	80	80	5	5	15	15
Charleston Circuit.....	C. R. Shackelford.....	436	350	86	60		2		3
Clifton and Mason.....	J. Engle.....	660	460	200	65				
East Charleston.....	E. G. Harbert.....	350	292	58	60		3		
Hartford City.....	C. B. Graham.....	550	513	37	60	6	1	6	1
Letart and Leon.....	W. A. Cheuvront.....	470	325	145	65	5	1	5	5
Malden.....	S. C. Loomis.....	250	250		50	32	4	8	6
Mill Creek.....									
Point Pleasant.....	John A. Dixon.....	900	460	440	60	52	6	6	2
Raymond City.....									
Ripley.....	W. D. Sanford, (sup.).....	300	135	165	60	45			
Sandyville.....	Geo. W. Kepler.....	376	268	108	50	50	3	3	4
Spencer.....	T. P. Ryan.....	500	250	250	80	79	1		1
Smithville.....	Jos. F. Jenkins.....	300	171	129	65	48	2		2
Walton.....	J. J. White, (sup.).....	300	212	88	60	49	5	6	1
		6492	4786	1706	820	708	33	20	49
Guyandotte District.									
Barboursville.....	A. Moore.....	200	151	49	48	11			1
Cassville.....	C. W. Myers.....	300	240	60	36	33	3	5	
Ceredo.....	G. W. Marston.....	225	169	56	38	33	3	10	1
Coal River.....	James Kinder, (sup.).....	250	45	205	36	36		10	
East Hamline.....	A. Adkins, (sup.).....	50	40	10	34	12	3	10	
Fairfields.....	W. G. Matton, (sup.) 3 mo	150	85	65					
	W. H. Shaw, (sup.) 6 mo	300	250	50	52	52	4	3	10
Guyandotte.....	Wm. Rader.....	250	250		50	50	4	2	8
Hamline.....	J. T. Davis.....	325	180	145	48	21	3	1	10
Huntington.....	L. H. Jordan.....	950	850	100	80	80		4	16
Laurel.....	G. Garrett, (sup.).....	50	25	25	26	12	3	10	
Monticello.....	A. T. Morriston.....	200	76	124	52	28			
St. Albans.....	A. Moore.....	100	60	40	30	30	3	10	
Wayne.....	N. C. Beckley.....	350	249	101	60	30	3	3	2
Winfield.....	B. Darlington.....	450	303	146	60	19	2	1	2
		4150	2973	1176	650	447	31	14	83
New River District.									
Boone.....	W. J. Scott, (sup.).....	200	50	150			1		1
Clay.....	John Adamson.....	350	90	260	40	25	1	1	1
Concord.....	P. C. Mays.....	200	131	69	30	17	1		1
Elk River.....	Levi Cross.....	350	320	30	60	60	2		
Fayette.....	L. E. Leslie, (sup.).....	150	96	54	50	50	4	10	2
Flat Top.....	Thos. Parris, (sup.).....	240	134	106	30	24	1	5	1
Hinchman's.....	L. D. Bryan.....	300	200	100	55	55	3	1	8
Logan.....									
Mountain Cove.....	Wm. Hunter.....	360	320	40	60	60	2	2	30
Nicholas.....	Geo. H. Williams.....	500	290	210	70	58	5	2	15
Ophelia.....	L. D. Haynes.....	250	120	130	40	40	3	1	12
Oceana.....	V. B. Jones, (sup.).....	125	26	99	50	30	3		2
Pleasant Retreat.....	W. R. Hennan.....	425	293	132	60	60	6	17	
Quinnimont and Hinton.....									
Raleigh.....	A. A. Nichols.....	380	328	52	55	55	1	1	1
		3830	2398	1432	600	534	28	13	97

DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF PRESID- ING ELDERS.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.							
		PASTORS.			PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.
		Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.....	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned.....
Morgantown	D. H. K. Dix.....	7330	6740	590	855	824	93	72	267
Wheeling.....	Geo. E. Hite.....	15715	14357	757	1462	1454	187	172	567
Oakland.....	C. H. Lakin.....	5947	5130	832	797	764	61	58	183
Clarksburg.....	L. L. Stewart.....	7001	5819	1182	850	802	76	50	236
Buckhannon.....	W. G. Riheldaffer.....	7001	5792	1228	950	941	88	38	267
Parkersburg.....	Geo. C. Wilding.....	9112	7709	1445	1140	1016	80	64	283
Charleston.....	James M. Warden.....	6492	4786	1706	820	708	33	20	49
Guyandotte.....	S. B. D. Prickitt.....	4150	2973	1176	650	447	31	14	83
New River.....	R. H. Hughes.....	3830	2398	1432	600	534	28	13	97
		70178	55654	10264	8124	7490	677	501	2032
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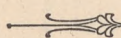
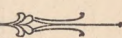


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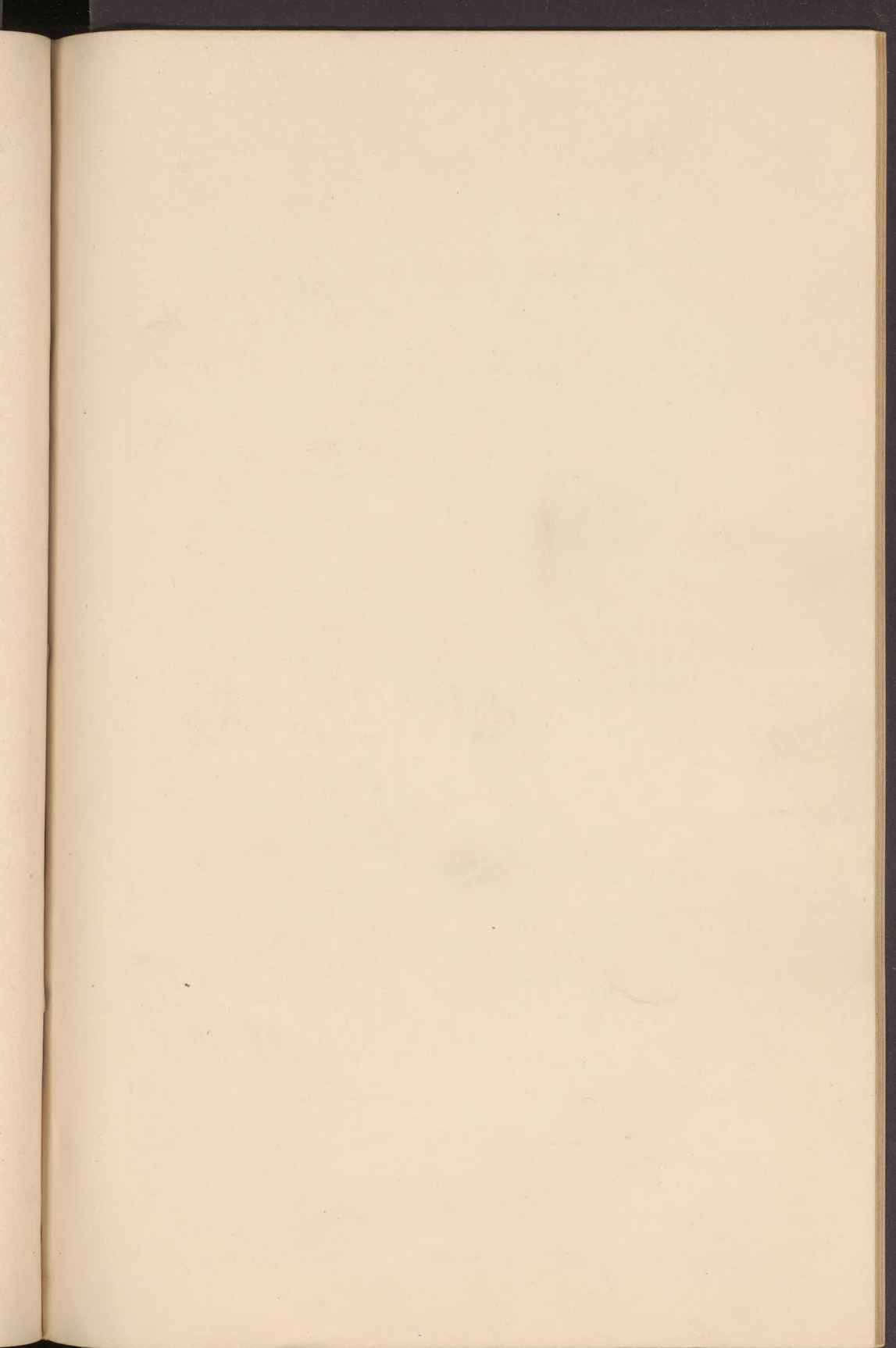
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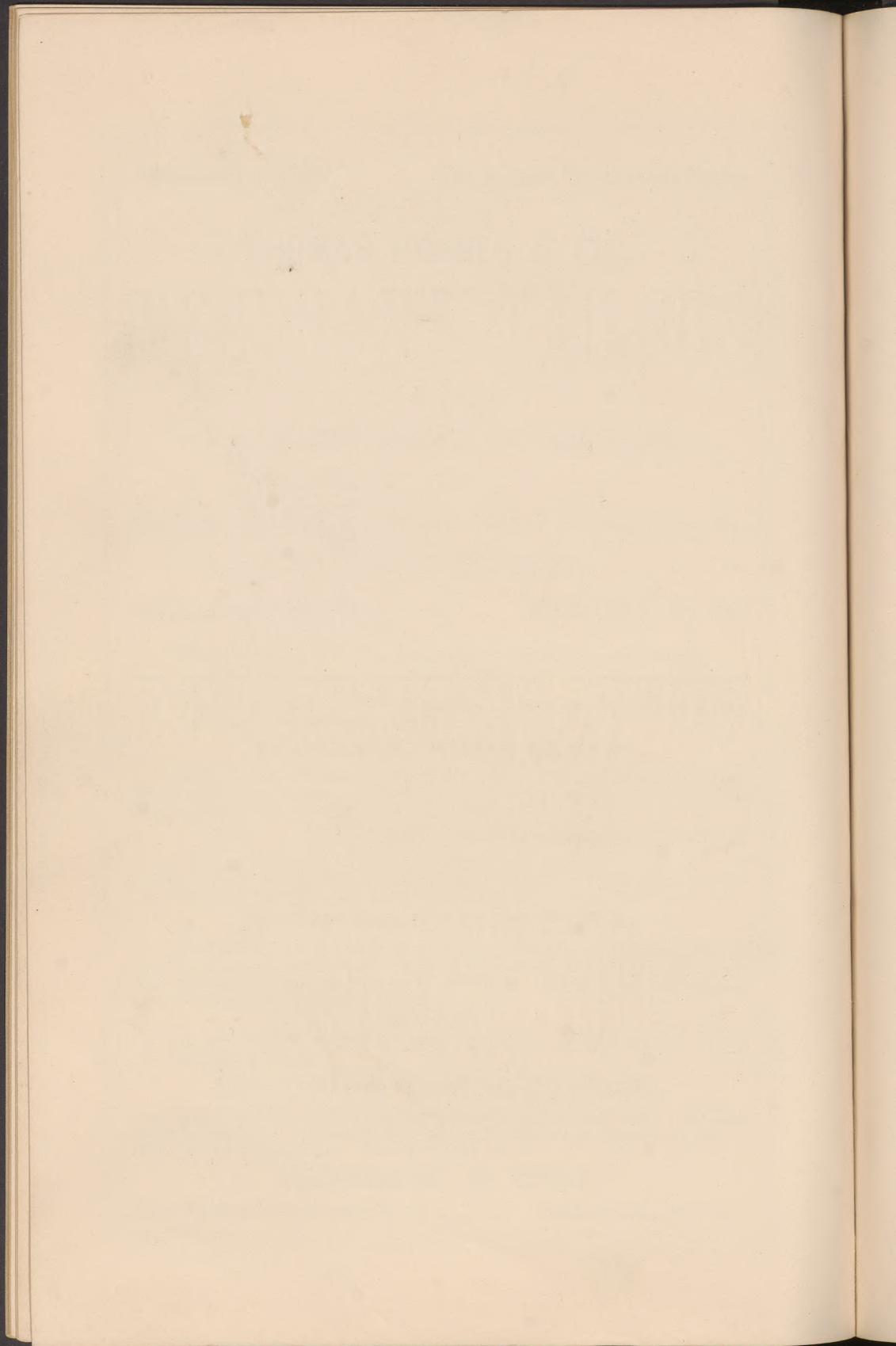
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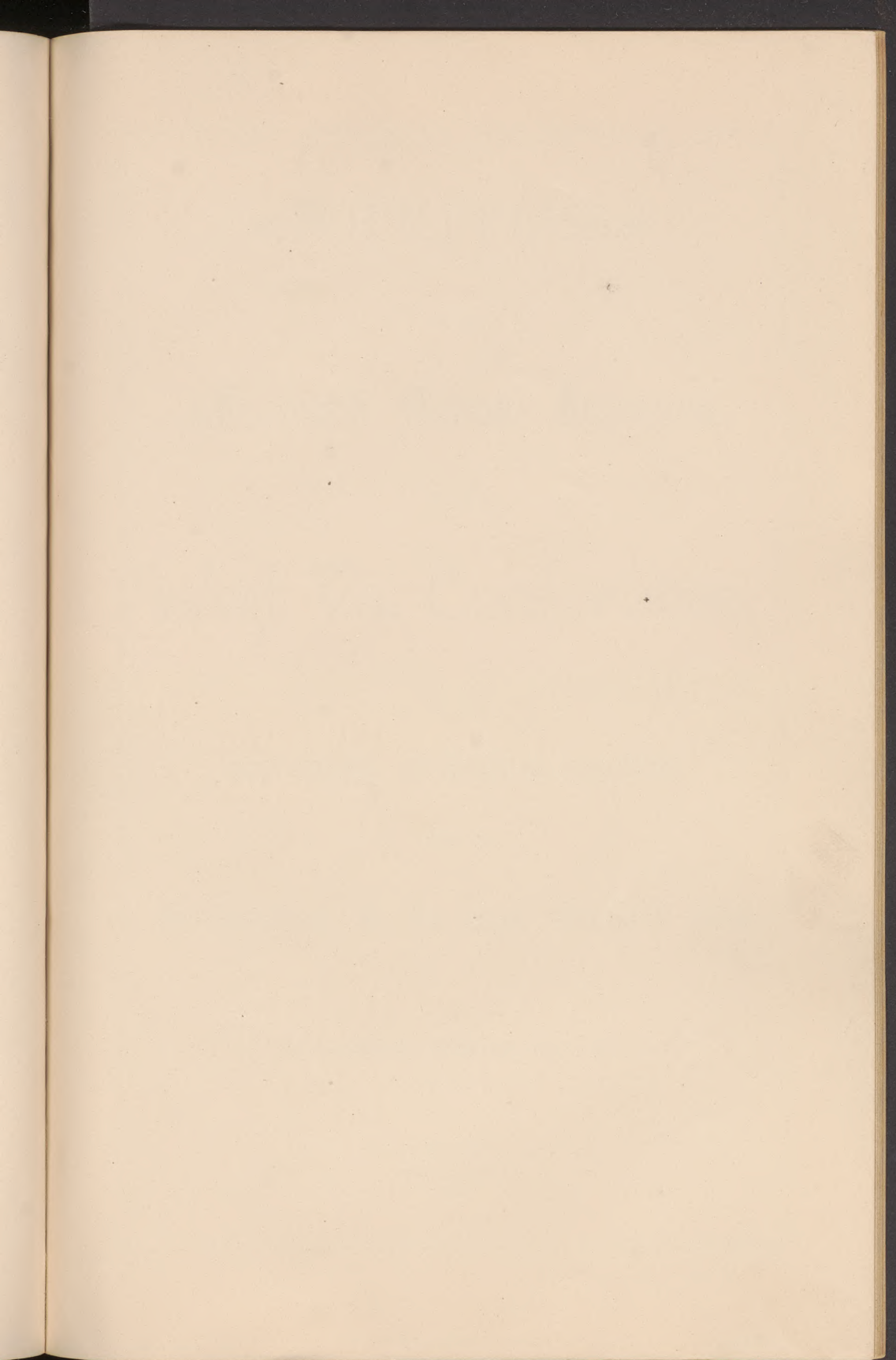
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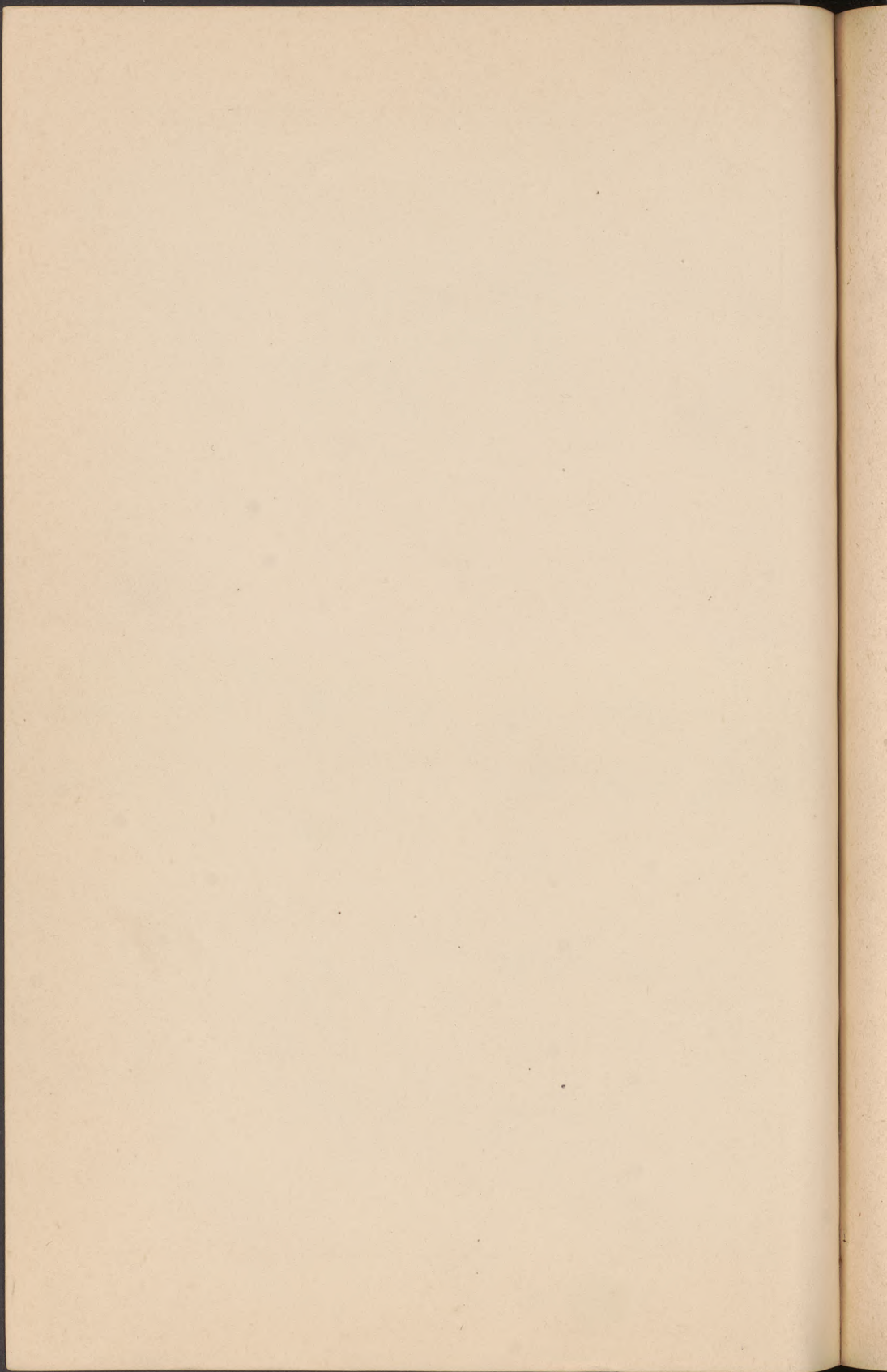
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Admission on Trial.—A. Mick, J. W. Webb, F. G. W. Ford.

First Year.—L. L. Stewart, W. A. Cheuvront, R. B. Ward.

Second Year.—Wm. Hunter, B. B. Evans, C. Warman.

Third Year.—C. J. Price, G. Rogers, S. B. D. Prickett.

Fourth Year.—H. C. Sanford, B. Darlington, A. Moore.

Local Preachers for Deacon's Orders.—P. C. Mays, A. D. Perry, C. Poling.

Local Preachers for Elder's Orders.—N. J. Lowther, E. C. Woodruff, T. W. Chidester.

To Preach Missionary Sermon.

Appointee.—L. H. Jordan. *Alternate.*—J. W. W. Bolton.

To Preach Conference Sermon.

Appointee.—H. J. Boatman, *Alternate.*—C. H. Lakin.

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Conference Board of Church Extension.

President—G. W. Atkinson.

Vice-President—H. J. Boatman.

Secretary—John Bailie.

Treasurer—James Reed.

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Ex-Officio Members—The Presiding Elders of the Conference.

District Committees on General Conference Entertainment.

Buckhannon District—W. G. Riheldaffer, L. H. Jordan, J. W. Heavner.

Charleston “ J. M. Warden, A. J. Lyda, H. C. McWhorter.

Clarksburg “ Joseph Lee, G. Rogers, O. H. Odell.

Guyandotte “ M. W. Rider, S. E. Jones, J. L. Crider.

Oakland “ C. H. Lakin, W. J. Sharpes, J. M. Davis.

Morgantown “ J. F. Chenoweth, F. G. W. Ford, E. A. Wilson.

New River “ R. H. Hughes, D. W. Smith, John Beckley.

Parkersburg “ J. A. Fullerton, W. E. Loomis, G. W. Taggart.

Wheeling “ G. E. Hite, R. F. Randolph, G. W. Atkinson.

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Buckhannon—W. G. Riheldaffer, W. E. Lovett, C. W. Upton, P. M. Boggess and J. A. Barnes.

Charleston—J. M. Warden, A. J. Lyda, A. Moore, L. E. McWhorter and L. A. Martin.

Clarksburg—Jos. Lee, C. J. Trippett, G. Martin, O. H. Odell, J. T. Harmer.

Guyandotte—M. W. Rider, B. Darlington, S. E. Jones, Taylor Wellington and A. B. Palmer.

Oakland—C. H. Lakin, L. W. Roberts, A. D. Perry, S. L. Townsend and C. W. Mayer.

Morgantown—J. F. Chenoweth, T. W. Chidester, J. S. Boreman, E. Thomas and C. M. Bishop.

New River—R. H. Hughes, Wm. Hunter, Levi Cross, W. T. Timberlake and C. W. Bloom.

Parkersburg—J. A. Fullerton, W. W. Kelley, J. L. Clark, Dr. C. F. Scott and R. B. Taylor.

Wheeling—G. E. Hite, L. L. Stewart, J. H. Hess, C. D. Hubbard and John Bailie.

Standing Committees.

The following Committees were appointed :

Public Worship.—Clark Crawford, J. B. Feather, J. F. Chenoweth.

Board of Stewards.—W. E. Lovett, U. Pribble, F. H. J. King, J. Engle, D. Cool, A. Mick, Levi Cross, W. J. Sharps, W. H. Shaw.

Necessitous Cases.—The Board of Stewards.

Missions.—The Presiding Elders.

Educational.—C. Poling, A. J. Lyda, W. R. White, L. H. Jordan, S. B. D. Prickett, W. E. Loomis, S. E. Jones, L. W. Roberts, W. R. Hennon.

Sunday Schools and Tracts.—F. Cottrill, A. Moore, M. Taylor, W. H. Shaw, R. S. Welch, L. D. Bryan, A. D. Perry, D. F. Carder, J. W. W. Bolton.

Church Extension.—The Presiding Elders.

Periodicals and Book Accounts.—S. D. Tamblyn, T. E. Galway, E. C. Woodruff, J. C. Rexroad, G. W. Grimes, C. S. Allemong, B. Darlington, P. C. Mays, D. A. Friend.

Bible Cause.—C. Warman, L. D. King, B. F. Rogers, G. C. Shaw, F. G. W. Ford, A. T. Morriston, S. P. Archer, C. F. Bollinger, Thos. Cotton.

Temperance.—C. B. Merideth, A. B. Rohrbough, R. B. Ward, E. H. Orwen, W. R. Hennon, B. B. Evans, W. W. Kelley, J. C. Hull, W. A. Cheuvront.

Presiding Elders' Accounts.—C. Clark, G. W. Kepler, W. P. Weekley.

Observance of the Sabbath.—E. R. Skidmore, T. E. Galway, G. Rogers, L. H. Jordan, J. Conwell, N. L. Baumgardner, N. J. Lowther, R. F. Randolph.

Freedmen's Aid.—C. W. Upton, G. W. Kepler, Taylor Richmond, B. Darlington, T. H. Trainer, L. D. Bryan, A. S. Arnett, W. H. Cooper, A. L. Curtis.

Publications of the Minutes and Post-Offices.—C. B. Graham, G. W. Kepler, B. D. Mahone, G. C. Shaw, J. S. Boreman, P. C. Mayes, L. W. Roberts, J. F. Snodgrass, C. J. Price.

District Conference Journals.—S. Eli Jones, N. L. Baumgardner, W. E. Lovett.

On Memoirs.—J. W. Reger, C. Warman, G. Martin, W. R. White, S. King, A. Moore, G. C. Shaw.

Parsonages and Furniture.—C. B. Graham, T. E. Galway, C. J. Trippett, W. H. Shaw, J. B. Feather, W. R. Hennon, W. P. Weekley, J. A. Dixon, A. L. Curtis.

Missionary Cause.—S. D. Tamblyn, A. Moore, J. W. Webb, L. H. Jordan, A. Stevens, Wm. Hunter, B. B. Evans, H. H. Miles, B. Ison.

Conference Relations.—W. E. Lovett, A. J. Lyda, H. J. Boatman, W. A. Cheuvront, T. W. Chidister, Levi Cross, A. D. Perry, F. H. J. King, L. D. Haines.

General Conference Entertainment.—G. H. Williams, A. J. Lyda, A. B. Rohrbough, B. Darlington, J. S. Boreman, Wm. Hunter, D. A. Friend, W. W. Kelley, M. F. Dryden.

Episcopal Fund.—The Presiding Elders.

Roll of General Conference Delegates.

1852.

DELEGATES.—S. G. J. Worthington and Moses Tichenel.

RESERVES.—Hezekiah Z. Adams.

1856.

DELEGATES.—Gideon Martin, James Drummond and Gordon Battelle.

RESERVES.—William Lynch and William Hunter.

1860.

DELEGATES.—Gordon Battelle, James Drummond and William Hunter.

RESERVES.—John L. Irwin and Gideon Martin.

1864.

DELEGATES.—John W. Reger, James Drummond and James L. Clark.

RESERVES.—T. H. Monroe and Alexander Martin.

1868.

DELEGATES.—A. J. Lyda, Gideon Martin and Alexander Martin.

RESERVES.—J. L. Irwin and J. B. Blakeney.

1872.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.—Alexander Martin, J. Wesley Webb, S. Steele and Gideon Martin.

RESERVES.—B. Ison and D. H. K. Dix.

LAY DELEGATES.—Hon. C. D. Hubbard and Hon. W. T. Willey.

RESERVES.—Dr. T. H. Logan and Nathan Goff, Sr.

1876.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.—J. W. W. Bolton, J. M. Powell and D. H. K. Dix.

RESERVES.—A. Hall and F. Ball.

LAY DELEGATES.—G. W. Atkinson and Hon. B. F. Martin.

RESERVES.—John J. Brown and Hon. C. F. Scott.

1880.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.—Thomas B. Hughes, John R. Thompson and James L. Clark.

RESERVES.—Winfield C. Snodgrass and Samuel E. Steele.

LAY DELEGATES.—Hon. W. T. Willey and Hon. H. C. McWhorter.

RESERVES.—Dr. T. H. Logan and Hon. C. F. Scott.

1884.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.—Benjamin Ison, F. H. J. King and George C. Wilding.

RESERVES.—E. W. Ryan and William R. White.

LAY DELEGATES.—A. L. Wade and Charles F. Scott.

RESERVES.—J. C. McGrew and Frank Woods.

Conference Roll.

NOTE.—The figures before a name correspond with the same person's name in the List of Appointments, page 33.

Effective Elders.

- 18 Allemong, Charles S.
- 33 Ash, David L.
- 6 Baumgardner, N. L.
- 17 Boatman, Henry J.
- 27 Bolton, J. W. W.
- 10 Boreman, James S.
- 140 Bryan, Lorenzo D.
- 60 Carrico, William D.
- 1 Chenoweth, Jasper F.
- 124 Cheuvront, William A.
- 9 Chidester, T. W.
- 103 Clark, James L.
- 68 Conwell, John.
- 7 Cool, Daniel.
- 91 Cooper, William H.
- 35 Cotton, Thomas.
- 145 Cross, Levi.
- 71 Cottrill, Fred.
- 26 Curtis, A. L.
- 133 Darlington, Benjamin.
- 123 Davis, J. T.
- 149 Dixon, John A.
- 31 Dryden, M. F.
- 25 Eichelberger, Jacob T.
- 55 Engle, Jeremiah.
- 46 Evans, Blackburn B.
- 37 Faulkner, T. R.
- 13 Feather, Joseph B.
- 14 Ford, Frederick G. W.
- 42 Friend, David A.
- 86 Fullerton, James A.
- 79 Graham, Cristopher B.
- 32 Grimes, Geo. W.
- 109 Griffiths, J. W.
- 24 Hammond, David S.
- 142 Hennon, Watson R.
- 90 Hess, John W.
- 34 Hess, John H.
- 15 Hite, George E.
- 135 Hughes, Robert H.
- 144 Hunter, William
- 29 Hull, J. C.
- 85 Ison, Benjamin.
- 129 Jones, Samuel E.
- 72 Jordan, Lewis A.
- 95 Kelley, William W.
- 93 King, Francis H. J.
- 21 King, Spencer.
- 36 Lakin, Calvin H.
- 52 Lee, Joseph.
- 94 Loomis, William E.
- 70 Lovett, William E.
- 106 Lyda, Andrew J.
- 98 Lowther, Newton J.
- 67 Mahone, Bennett D.
- 53 Martin, Gideon.
- 148 Mays, Perry C.
- 83 Meredith, Clinton B.
- 92 Mick, Asbury.
- 87 Miles, Henry H.
- 113 Moore, Archibald.
- 154 Moore, Okey J.
- 99 Norris, John.
- 8 Orwen, E. H.

- 50 Perry, Andrew D.
- 78 Prince, N. H.
- 117 Pribble, Ulysses.
- 81 Poling, Cyrus.
- 5 Prickett, Samuel B. D.
- 97 Price, Charles J.
- 30 Randolph, R. F.
- 11 Rexroad, John C.
- 121 Rider, Morgan W.
- 69 Riheldaffer, William G.
- 54 Rogers, Benjamin F.
- 63 Rogers, Gilbert.
- 38 Roberts, Lloyd W.
- 66 Rohrbough, A. B.
- 107 Ryan, Thomas P.
- 23 Sanford, Henry C.
- 119 Shackelford, Charles R.
- 47 Sharpes, William J.
- 22 Stewart, Lorin L.
- 138 Snodgrass, Jessie F.
- 4 Shaw, W. H.
- 3 Trainer, Thomas H.
- 62 Trippett, Caleb J.
- 65 Taylor, Marion.
- 76 Upton, Caleb W.
- 115 Ward, Richard B.
- 104 Warden, James M.
- 73 Warman, Clemmer.
- 59 Webb, Jeremiah W.
- 74 Welch, Randolph S.
- 82 Williams, George H.
- 12 White, William R.
- 58 Woodruff, Erastus C.

Effective Deacons.

- 45 Archer, Sanford P.
- 56 Bollinger, Charles F.
- 88 Carder, David F.
- 89 Clark, Charles E.
- 2 Cox, Columbus W.
- 110 Grose, James M.
- 28 Galway, Thomas E.
- 108 Kepler, George W.
- 16 King, William W.
- 19 Lynch, Francis N.
- 112 Marston, George W.
- 151 Nichols, Anderson A.
- 57 Richmond, Taylor.
- 77 Skidmore, Elijah R.
- 152 Tamblын, Silas D.
- 153 Woodruff, Robert E.
- 51 Weekley, William P.

1st Year on Trial.

- 136 Adams, Andrew D.
- 84 Brooks, Benson B.
- 96 Coffield, Levi N.
- 61 Hammond, Joseph A.
- 44 Kelley, George M.
- 41 Kurtz, John C.
- 48 Knotts, Marcellus.
- Scott, William J.
- 150 Smith, Daniel W.
- 102 Smith, Warren G.

2d Year on Trial.

- 43 Arnett, Amos S.
- 20 Denton, Douglas A.
- 100 Jones, S. Eli.
- 75 Haines, L. D.
- 64 McCormick, James P.
- 40 Orr, Dexter B.
- 127 Shaw, Charles E.
- 134 Shaw, George C.
- 141 Ward, George E.

Superannuaries.

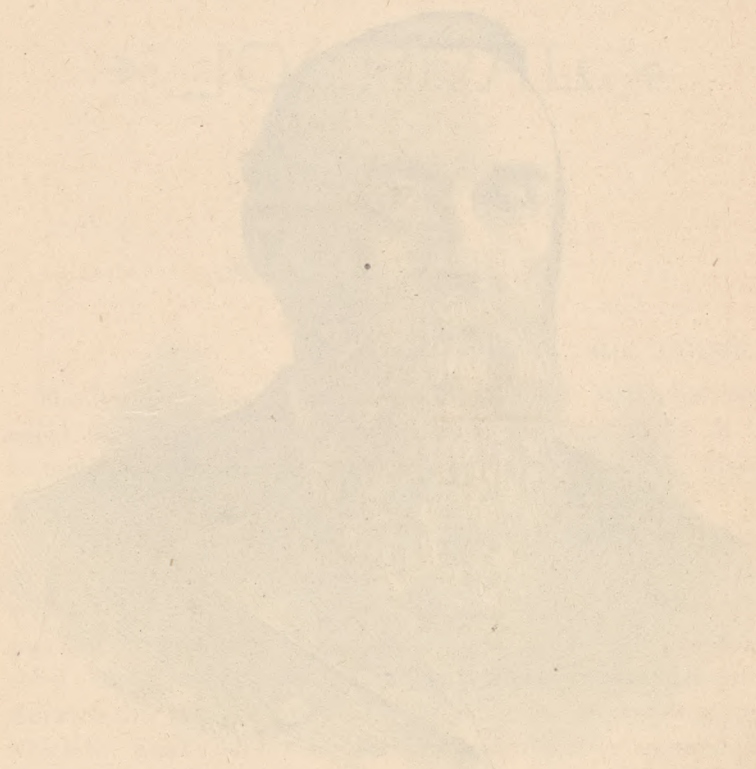
- Copeland, George R.
Dawson, Samuel R.
Hitchens, Samnel.
118 King, E. D. W.
Matton, W. G.
Morrison, A. T.
Sommerville, N. M.
Woodyard, R. L.

Superannuates.

- Benedum, D. S.
Birkitt, John.
Brooks, Robert.
Brooks, Richard L.
Carroll, J. T.
Conner, Calvin.
Crossfield, George.
Dolliver, J. J.
Hagar, Benjamin.
Laughlin, Robert.
Leslie, Lewis E.
Matheny, G. W.
McNeel, Moore.
McGinnis, David A.
Northcraft, Richard.
Pinchen, John B.
Reger, John W.
Sanford, Vanlinden.
Scott, Hezekiah.
Stevens, Asby.
Wallace, Richard M.
West, John B.
Wriston, William.
Williams, John A.

Summary of Roll.

Effective Elders.....	96
Effective Deacons.....	17
Superannuaries.....	8
Superannuates.....	24
In Full Connection and	
Entitled to Vote.....	145
On Trial, {Second year..	9
{First year.....	10
Total in Full Connection	
and On Trial.....	164



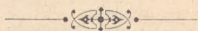
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Our Presiding Bishop for the Fall Conference of 1886.



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First Day.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA., Sept. 23, 1886.

The West Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church commenced its **Fortieth Session** in the M. E. Church, at Morgantown, Sept. 23d, at 9 o'clock A. M., Bishop Willard F. Mallalieu in the chair.

Devotional Services.—J. M. Warden opened the devotional services by reading Hymn No. 798, "And are we yet alive, and see each other's face;" after the singing of which the Conference was led in prayer by C. H. Lakin. Geo. E. Hite then read the third chapter of Ephesians. **The Invitation of the Sacramental Service** was read by the Bishop, the congregation standing, after which the Lord's Supper was administered to a large communion. Conference then joined in singing, "O for a thousand tongues to sing."

Conference Roll.—W. G. Riheldaffer, the Secretary of the last Session, then called the roll, the following brethren answering to their names:

Charles S. Allemong,
David L. Ash,
N. L. Baumgardner,
Henry J. Boatman,
J. W. W. Bolton,
Lorenzo D. Bryan,
Jasper F. Chenoweth,
Wm. A. Cheuvront,
T. W. Chidester,

Lewis H. Jordan,
William W. Kelley,
Francis H. J. King,
Spencer King,
Calvin H. Lakin,
Joseph Lee,
William E. Loomis,
William E. Lovett,
Newton J. Lowther,

Jessie F. Snodgrass,
W. H. Shaw,
Thos. H. Trainer,
Caleb J. Trippett,
Marion Taylor,
Caleb W. Upton,
James M. Warden,
Clemmer Warman,
Jeremiah W. Webb,

James L. Clark,	Andrew J. Lyda,	Randolph S. Welch,
John Conwell,	Archibald Moore,	Geo. H. Williams,
Thomas Cotton,	Bennett D. Mahone,	William R. White,
Frederick Cottrill,	Gideon Martin,	James S. Boreman,
Clark Crawford,	Asbury Mick,	David F. Carder,
Levi Cross,	Henry H. Miles,	Columbus W. Cox,
Albert L. Curtis,	Clinton B. Merideth,	William H. Cooper,
Benj. Darlington,	E. H. Orwen,	David A. Friend,
John A. Dixon,	Andrew D. Perry,	Thomas E. Galway,
Millard F. Dryden,	Ulysses Pribble,	Watson R. Hennon,
Jeremiah Engle,	Cyrus Poling,	Geo. W. Kepler,
Blackburn B. Erans,	Samuel B. D. Prickett,	Perry C. Mays,
Joseph B. Feather,	Charles J. Price,	Elijah R. Skidmore,
Frederick G. W. Ford,	R. F. Randolph,	Silas D. Tamblyn,
James A. Fullerton,	John C. Rexroad,	Richard B. Ward,
Christopher B. Graham,	Morgan W. Rider,	Robert E. Woodruff,
Geo. W. Grimes,	William G. Riheldaffer,	George R. Copeland,
David S. Hammond,	Benj. F. Rogers,	John W. Hess,
John H. Hess,	Lloyd W. Roberts,	E. D. W. King,
Geo. E. Hite,	A. B. Rohrbough,	Newton J. Sommerville,
Robert H. Hughes,	W. J. Sharps,	E. C. Woodruff,
J. C. Hull,	Asby Stevens,	Robert Brooks,
Benjamin Ison,	Lorin L. Stewart,	Richard Northcraft.
Samuel E. Jones,		

When the names of N. C. Beckley, Dr. Samuel Steele, Andrew Dixon and J. S. Laughlin were called, it was announced they had died during the year.

Secretaries.—On motion of Dr. J. W. Webb, W. G. Riheldaffer was elected Secretary by acclamation, with power to nominate his Assistants. On his nomination the following were elected:

Assistant Secretaries.—M. F. Dryden and S. D. Tamblyn.

Journal Secretary.—E. H. Orwen.

Railroad Secretary.—J. B. Feather.

Statistical Secretary.—S. E. Jones was nominated and elected Statistical Secretary, with power to appoint his Assistants. He appointed as

Assistants.—J. H. Hess, C. B. Graham and J. H. Boatman.

Time of Opening and Closing the Daily Sessions.—On motion of Dr. Webb, it was ordered that the daily sessions of the Conference begin at 9 o'clock A. M., and adjourn at 11.30, to be preceded by Devotional Services, commencing at 8.30 A. M.

Conference Bar.—On motion of Geo. E. Hite, a line drawn across the house from the rear of the third windows, was made the bar of the Conference.

Standing Committees.—The Presiding Elders nominated the following Standing Committees, and they were elected. [See list].

On motion of J. A. Fullerton, J. L. Clark was elected **Conference Treasurer**, and on motion of Geo. E. Hite, D. A. Denton was elected **Conference Postmaster**.

Committee Instructed.—The Committee on Temperance was instructed to notice the case of G. C. Haddock, who was martyred in Iowa, in the cause of Temperance.

Chartered Fund and Book Concern Moneys.—The Bishop announced that the Conference was authorized to draw on the Chartered Fund for \$30.00. Also, on the Book Concern for \$223. The drafts were ordered.

Resignation.—Henry K. List tendered his resignation as Trustee of the Ohio Wesleyan University, and of Mount Union College; and on motion of G. E. Hite, his resignation was accepted.

Upon motion of J. A. Fullerton, W. H. Cooper was excused from further study in the Conference course.

Special Session.—On motion of J. L. Clark, a Special Session of Conference was ordered at 2 o'clock P. M., for receiving statistics and benevolent collections.

The Bishop, at this point, expressed his great delight in presiding at this Conference, and in this historic town. He referred in a feeling and impressive manner to Bishop Simpson, who presided at the first Conference held in this place, June 10, 1852. He also urged the members of the Conference to be prayerful, and seek to make this session one of great spiritual power.

He then introduced Dr. Cranston to the Conference, who represented the interests of the Western Book Concern.

Twentieth Question.—The twentieth question, "*Was the character of each preacher examined?*" was called, and W. G. Rihel-daffer, Presiding Elder of *Buckhannon District*, his character having passed, proceeded to represent his District. "*Buckhannon District comprises 15 charges, having an area of about 3,500*

square miles. Hard times still exist, but the salaries of the preachers, and the benevolent collections will compare with former years. One neat church, costing \$1,750 dollars, has been dedicated; four others are to be dedicated in October; one new parsonage has been built. This is a year of spiritual advancement; about 800 conversions, and many accessions. The District Conference is still a power among us. The preachers have been faithful. One, DR. S. STEELE, *has died*. Children's Day is generally observed. I have urged the people to a more liberal support of the gospel. The preachers have given me their hearty co-operation, and the year has been a pleasant one." After which the following Effective Elders were called, their characters passed and each reported his collection: W. E. Lovett, F. Cottrill, C. Warman, C. W. Upton, C. B. Graham, C. Poling, G. H. Williams, C. B. Merideth and D. L. Ash.

Charleston District.—J. M. Warden, Presiding Elder, was called, his character passed, and he read a report of his District. There have been 900 conversions during the year; Sunday Schools are prosperous; one church has been built and dedicated, and two others ready for dedication; many churches and parsonages have been repaired; the benevolent collections are larger than heretofore, some charges having reached the million dollar line. The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed, each reporting his collections: A. J. Lyda, T. P. Ryan, E. G. Harbert, U. Pribble, C. R. Shackelford and A. Moore.

The committees were called and announced the hour of their meeting, and various papers in the hands of the Secretary were referred to the appropriate committees.

Introduction.—The Rev. Buckhannon, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, of Morgantown, was introduced to the Conference.

On motion of C. H. Lakin, A. D. Perry, of the committee to examine Local Preachers for Deacon's orders, was relieved from that committee, and S. P. Archer appointed in his place.

The name of C. B. Graham, upon motion of S. E. Jones, was added to the list of Statistical Secretaries.

Announcements.—Other announcements were made.

J. Engle was appointed by the Bishop to conduct devotional services to-morrow morning, and Dr. G. Martin was appointed to preside at the afternoon session.

The Doxology was then sung, and the Benediction pronounced by J. L. Clark.

Afternoon Session.

The Conference met at 2 o'clock P. M., with Dr. Gideon Martin in the chair. D. Cool read the 12th chapter of Isaiah. Hymn No. 415, "Rock of Ages Cleft for Me," was sung, and the Conference was led in prayer by D. Cool.

On motion, S. E. Jones was appointed to receive Statistics, J. Engle to receive Conference claimants' collections and J. L. Clark all the other collections. The roll was then called by districts, and collections were received.

On motion of S. E. Jones, J. C. Hull was appointed to take the place of H. J. Boatman, as an Assistant Statistical Secretary.

Announcements.—After the announcements were made Conference adjourned. The Doxology was sung, and the Benediction was pronounced by T. H. Trainer.

Second Day.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA., Sept. 24, 1886.

Devotional Services.—The devotional services began at 8.15 A. M., under the direction of J. Engle.

Conference opened at 9 o'clock, with Bishop Willard F. Mallalieu in the chair, who announced the 427th Hymn, after the singing of which Wm. G. Riheldaffer led in prayer.

Reading the Journal.—The Secretary read the minutes of yesterday's session, which were corrected and approved.

Miscellaneous Business.—The Bishop called for miscellaneous business, and the Statistical Secretary read the names of delinquents, who had failed to hand in their statistics. J. L. Clark, Conference Treasurer, also urged delinquents to report their benevolent collections.

Communications.—A communication was received from the Local Preacher's Association, and referred to the committee on Post-offices.

Greeting.—A letter of fraternal greeting, from the Parkersburg United Brethren Conference, was read by the Secretary, and on motion of Dr. Webb, the paper was received, and Dr. White appointed to reply.

Communications were received from J. J. Dolliver and D. H. K. Dix, and referred to the Stewards.

Report of Centennial Fund.—The report of the Treasurer of the Centennial Fund was read by the Secretary, and the report was adopted.

The Financial Report of the Secretary for the year was read and adopted.

Introductions.—Rev. J. D. Knox, of Kansas Conference, Dr. R. T. Taylor, of Beaver Female College, and President E. M. Turner, of the West Virginia University, were introduced to the Conference.

Invitation.—President Turner kindly invited the Conference to visit the University to-morrow.

Twentieth Question.—The twentieth question of the General Minutes was resumed, and M. W. Rider, Presiding Elder of the Guyandotte District, was called, his character passed and he represented his District. Preachers, with one exception, were at their work on time and labored faithfully; extensive revivals and many accessions; one parsonage in process of building, another contemplated; salaries of the preachers small—a result of drouth and floods; benevolent collections small; Sunday School interests advanced during the year. The following Effective Elders

were called, their characters passed and they reported their collections: W. A. Cheuvront, W. H. Shaw, J. T. Davis, L. H. Jordan, B. Darlington, S. C. Loomis.

Morgantown District.—J. F. Chenoweth, Presiding Elder, was called, and there being nothing against him, his character passed and he represented his District. Many of the parsonages not in good condition; membership over 4,000; conversions about 1,000 with as many accessions; these results were achieved by the pastors in most cases without the aid of Evangelists; many churches and parsonages improved and old debts paid; pastors' salaries better on the whole than last year; had made vigorous efforts to circulate our literature. The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed, and they reported their collections: John Conwell, T. H. Trainer, Asby Stevens, S. B. D. Prickett, R. S. Welch, D. Cool, E. H. Orwen, T. W. Chidister, J. C. Rexroad, C. Crawford, J. B. Feather, F. G. W. Ford.

New River District.—R. H. Hughes, Presiding Elder, was called, his character passed, and he represented his District. There are fifteen charges within its bounds; the preachers were at their places in time and worked faithfully; many of them enjoyed precious revivals; the great need of the work is more ordained men; preachers are poorly supported; the people loyal to the church to the extent of their ability; collections better than heretofore; two churches dedicated during the year, and six others nearly ready for dedication; one parsonage built and others repaired; about 500 conversions; revival spirit throughout the District and the future promising. The following Effective Elders were called, their characters passed, and they reported their collections: Levi Cross, L. D. Bryan, W. Hunter, A. T. Morriston.

Clarksburg District.—Joseph Lee, Presiding Elder, was called, his character passed, and he represented his District. There have been 700 conversions; an increasing interest in religion; financial prospects hopeful for the future; benevolent collections good; two churches were built and ready for dedication; all interests of the church prospering. The following Effective Elders were

called, their characters passed and they reported their collections : G. Martin, M. Taylor, L. D. King, A. B. Rohrbough, A. S. Loveall, C. J. Trippett, W. D. Carrico, J. W. Webb, G. Rogers, H. J. Boatman, B. D. Mahone, W. R. White, B. F. Rogers.

Oakland District—C. H. Lakin, Presiding Elder, was called, his character passed, and he represented his District. Preachers all at their work in time and worked faithfully ; district in good condition spiritually ; during the year 1067 conversions ; most of the probationers have been received in full connection with the church ; Sunday Schools in good condition ; two District Sunday School Conventions have been held during the year ; Methodist Literature used in all the Sunday Schools ; one church ready for dedication, and three others in process of building ; several churches and parsonages have been repaired, and one parsonage purchased ; pastors' salaries generally not as good as last year—many deficiencies ; church papers need to be placed in many homes. The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed, and they reported their collections : L. W. Roberts, J. W. Bedford, N. L. Baumgardner, B. B. Evans, J. Engle, A. D. Perry.

Dr. W. R. White, at his own request, was excused from Conference session to examine the class for Admission on Trial.

Parkersburg District was called, and after singing, "There is a fountain filled with blood," the character of J. A. Fullerton, Presiding Elder, was passed, and he proceeded to represent his District. Preachers have cheerfully co-operated with him ; about 4500 members, and nearly 1000 added to the church ; two churches have been completed, and four others being built ; two parsonages built and others improved ; spiritual condition good, and financial condition better than last year ; benevolent collections are as good if not better than heretofore. The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed and they reported their collections : H. H. Miles, John Norris, G. W. Grimes, A. Mick, F. H. J. King, W. E. Loomis, W. W. Kelley, J. F. Snodgrass, N. J. Lowther, J. A. Dixon, J. L. Clark, W. H. Cooper.

Wheeling District.—G. E. Hite, Presiding Elder, was called, his character passed, and he represented his District: About 1,000 conversions; benevolent collections better than last year; preachers at their work and faithful in the performance of it; our church literature needs a wider circulation on the District; increase in the salaries of the preachers; one church built and others repaired; several parsonages improved and one built; the outlook hopeful. The following Effective Elders' characters passed, and they reported their collections: C. J. Price, Benj. Ison, C. S. Allemong, W. J. Sharps, L. L. Stewart, H. C. Sanford, D. S. Hammond, A. L. Curtis, J. W. W. Bolton, T. Cotton, J. C. Hull, R. F. Randolph, M. F. Dryden, S. E. Jones, Spencer King, J. H. Hess.

Dr. Taylor then addressed the Conference on the interests of "The Beaver Female College, and the superior quality of our Educational Institutions," showing the impropriety of sending Protestant young ladies to Catholic Schools. Remarks were also made by R. F. Randolph, on the subject of "Protestant Educational Institutions, and their superiority over Catholic Schools."

The Thirteenth Question of the General Minutes.—"Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?" was taken up, and the names of Thomas E. Galway, Columbus W. Cox, George W. Kepler, Elijah R. Skidmore, David F. Carder and Silas D. Tamblin were called, their characters passed, they reported their collections, and having passed a satisfactory examination on the studies of the third year, and being represented by their Presiding Elders, were, on motion, advanced to the Second Class of Deacons. The names of Geo. W. Marston, Anderson A. Nicols, Newton, M. Somerville and R. E. Woodruff were called, they not having been examined, on motion, were continued as Deacons of the First Class.

Tenth Question.—The tenth question, "*What Local Preachers have been Elected Deacons?*" was called, and John J. White, Geo. W. Swiger, Simon P. Crummett, Charles W. Myers and Amos S. Arnett being duly recommended, and having passed a favorable

examination, were represented by their Presiding Elders, and elected to Local Deacon's Orders.

Sixteenth Question.—The sixteenth question, "*What Local Deacons have been Elected Elders?*" was taken up, and after the usual disciplinary proceedings, the following named brethren were duly elected Local Elders: Joseph A. Hammond and Henry E. Friend.

Introductions.—Rev. Weese, of the Morgantown M. P. Church, and Rev. Watson, of the Washington Conference, and pastor of the M. E. Church at Morgantown, were introduced.

Thirty-Third Question.—"Where shall the next Conference be held?" was called. Parkersburg was nominated, and chosen unanimously.

Motions.—On motion of G. E. Hite, the Conference agreed to visit the University, at 2 o'clock to-morrow (Saturday).

On motion, the Conference fixed the time of the *Educational Anniversary* at 3 P. M., Saturday; *Temperance Mass Meeting* at 7.30 P. M., Saturday; *Memorial Service* at 10 A. M., Monday, and the meeting of the *Historical Society* at 3 P. M., Monday.

Announcements.—Committees announced the time and places of their meetings.

Wm. G. Riheldaffer was appointed by the Bishop to conduct the Devotional Services to-morrow morning.

On motion, the Conference adjourned. The Doxology was sung, and the Benediction pronounced by John D. Knox, of the Kansas Conference.

Third Day.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA., Sept. 25, 1886.

Devotional Services.—The devotional services, led by W. G. Riheldaffer, began promptly at 8.30 A. M., by singing, "Nearer my God to Thee," after which C. H. Lakin led in prayer. At the

conclusion of these services, the Bishop announced the 41st Hymn, "Come ye that love the Lord." After singing, J. W. W. Bolton led in prayer. The Conference then joined in singing "Rock of Ages." A pleasant feature of the session at this point, was the administration, (by the Bishop, assisted in the service by W. G. Riheldaffer), of the Sacrament of Baptism to White, infant son of Rev. C. Warman, one of the preachers of the Conference. The parents both being present, and gave hearty responses to the usual questions.

Journal.—The Secretary then read the minutes of yesterday's session, which were corrected, and adopted.

Reports.—The report of the Committee on General Conference Entertainment was read and adopted.

The report of Committee on Auditing Presiding Elders' accounts was read and adopted.

The Secretary then read the annual report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which was adopted and ordered to be printed in the Minutes of the Conference.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools and Tracts was read, amended and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Bible Cause was read, amended and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Missions was also read, amended and adopted.

Permanent Fund.—On motion of J. L. Clark, W. W. Kelley, J. B. Feather and C. H. Lakin were appointed trustees of Permanent Fund, to fill vacancies occasioned by the transfers of E. W. Ryan and Geo. C. Wilding, and by the death of Dr. S. Steele.

On motion of G. E. Hite, the Conference requested the Bishop to transfer W. W. King, of the North Ohio Conference, to the West Virginia Conference.

Dr. Smith, of the *Pittsburgh Christian Advocate*, was introduced to the Conference, and the financial report of the *Advocate* was read; after which the Doctor addressed the Conference in the interests of the *Advocate*.

Dr. Bayliss was then introduced to the Conference, and addressed them on the interests of the *Western Christian Advocate*.

Dr. Upham, of Drew Theological Seminary, being introduced, addressed the Conference in behalf of that institution.

At this point the Conference joined in singing "A charge to keep I have."

On Motion of J. L. Clark, the time was extended.

Donation.—On motion of C. B. Graham, the Conference received the donation, of Lemuel O'Neal, of \$100 for Superannuated Preachers, and instructed the Conference Treasurer to disburse it according to the wishes of the *donor*, and make mention of the same in his annual report.

Question Fourteenth.—The fourteenth question, "*What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?*" was taken up, and after the usual Disciplinary proceedings, the following named brethren were duly elected Elders: James S. Boreman, David A. Friend, Watson R. Hennon, Richmond B. Ward and Perry C. Mays.

Third Question.—"Who remain on Trial?" was called, and Douglas A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Chas. E. Shaw, George C. Shaw, George E. Ward, S. Eli Jones and Amos S. Arnett, their characters having passed, they reported their collections, and having passed satisfactory examinations on the studies of the first year, being duly represented by their Presiding Elders, were continued on trial, and passed to the class of the second year. Dexter B. Orr's character passed, he reported his collections, and having passed examination on only part of the required studies, was represented by his Presiding Elder, and passed to the class of the second year, on condition that he be duly examined on Harman's Introduction and Hill's Rhetoric next year. W. H. Scott, not having appeared before the committee on examination, was continued in the first year; and on motion of J. W. W. Bolton, Wm. Rader was discontinued.

The Fifth Question of the General Minutes.—"Who are admitted into Full Connection?" was taken up, and Charles E. Clark, Charles F. Bollinger, Sanford P. Archer, Wm. P. Weekley

and Taylor Richmond were called to the altar, and Dr. Upham led in special prayer.

The Bishop then addressed the class, referring to the time when he joined the New England Conference, as the most important period in his history. He expressed his desire that the Spirit of God might fall upon the class and qualify them for the great work of preaching the Gospel.

The Dicipinary questions were then propounded by the Bishop, who explained the import of the questions, showing that Methodism emphasizes certain fundamental truths, among which is a "Universal Atonement," "The Witness of the Spirit," and "The Doctrine of Perfect Love," which state of grace he defined as *that of a sinless life*, and urged them to seek the experience. He requested that as long as permitted to remain in the ministry, they read the *general rules*, and the rules relating to the life of a preacher, (at least once each year), and that they be diligent and systematic in their work, striving in every way to do the work of faithful Methodist preachers. Their answers to the questions being satisfactory, their characters having passed, collections reported, and having been examined in the required studies of the 2d year, and being represented by their Presiding Elders, were admitted into full connection, and elected to Deacon's Orders, except Taylor Richmond, who was a Deacon. On motion of G. E. Hite, Lorenzo D. Haines, not having passed the examination, was continued in the second year on trial.

Report of the Board of Stewards was called for, and John Bailie, Secretary, proceeded to read the same, the amount received and disbursed being \$1,833.85. The report was adopted, and the several appropriations distributed. On motion of J. A. Fullerton, the amount of \$4.00 in the hands of W. J. Sharps for Conference Claimants, was added to the allowance of G. Crossfield, (and \$6.00 afterward received was by the cabinet voted to Geo. E. Ward,) making the total as above.

Announcements were then made by the various committees of times and places of meetings.

C. H. Lakin was appointed by the Bishop to conduct the devotional services on Monday morning.

Conference adjourned. The Doxology was sung, and the Benediction pronounced by Dr. C. W. Smith.

Fourth Day.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA., Sept. 27, 1886.

Devotional Services.—The devotional services, led by C. H. Lakin, began at 8.30 by singing "Rock of Ages," after which prayer was offered by N. H. Prince.

Conference opened at 9 o'clock with the Bishop in the chair, who announced Hymn 518, "Jesus Thine all Victorious Love," after the singing of which the Conference was led in prayer by Dr. J. L. Clark.

Reading the Journal.—The Secretary then read the minutes of Saturday's session, which were approved.

Ordinations.—The Certificate of Ordinations was presented and read.

Treasurer's Report.—The Conference Treasurer, J. L. Clark, then proceeded to make his report, which, by the request of Conference, was read by Districts and general statement given, the report as a whole was then adopted.

Permanent Fund.—The Treasurer read a report of the Permanent Fund, which was adopted.

Educational Fund.—The report of the Educational Fund was then read by the Treasurer and adopted.

Rev. Dr. Wheeler, of Allegheny College, was introduced, and addressed the Conference in the interest of that Institution.

Dr. Payne being introduced, proceeded to address the Conference in behalf of the Ohio Wesleyan University, and the hour having arrived for the order of the day, upon motion of Dr. W.

R. White, the time was extended, and Dr. Payne resumed his remarks.

Dr. Kidder was also introduced, and represented the connec-tional interests of the "Cause of Education."

Memorial Service.—The Bishop announced the arrival of the hour for the Memorial Service, and read the 990th Hymn, after the singing of which, Dr. White led in prayer. Dr. G. Martin then presented the report of Committee on Memoirs, to be read by the Secretary of the Conference.

Secretary read first the "Obituary" of Dr. Samuel Steele, then the "Obituary" of N. C. Beckley, and also those of Andrew Dixon and J. S. Laughlin. The Conference then sang "O how sweet it will be in that beautiful land;" after which were read the "Obituaries" of MARY E., wife of Dr. J. Wesley Webb; JULIA C., widow of Thomas M. Hartley, and that of MARGARET, wife of Robert Brooks.

The reading of obituaries having been concluded, appropriate remarks were made by Gideon Martin, J. A. Fullerton, J. L. Clark, Joseph Lee, S. B. D. Prickett, G. Rogers, John W. Reger, W. E. Lovett and B. Ison. Conference then sang, "Jesus lover of my soul." Prayer was offered by C. H. Lakin; after which the report of the Committee was adopted by a rising vote.

Time was extended, on motion of W. G. Riheldaffer.

Reports.—The report of Committee on District Conference Records, the report of the Committee on Periodicals and Book Accounts, and the report of the Committee on Parsonages and Furniture were read and adopted.

A petition to Congress, touching the Chinese question, was then read by the Secretary and endorsed by the Conference.

Temperance.—The report of the Committee on Temperance was read, and adopted by a rising vote, the congregation also rising with the Conference.

A resolution presented by Benj. Ison, was read, and on motion of G. E. Hite it was laid on the table.

Motion.—J. W. W. Bolton moved that when the Conference do adjourn, they adjourn to meet at 7 o'clock P. M., which motion was carried.

Announcements were then made by the *committees*, also announcement was made by J. B. Feather, R. R. Secretary, relating to return tickets.

Conference adjourned. The Doxology was sung, and the Benediction was pronounced by J. W. Reger.

Fourth Day Evening Session.

The Conference met at 7.15 P. M. The Bishop in the chair, who announced the old battle hymn, "There is a fountain filled with blood." After singing Dr. G. Martin led in prayer.

Journal.—The journal of the morning session was read by the Secretary. On motion, the same was approved.

Church Extension.—Dr. W. A. Spencer was introduced, and addressed the Conference in the interest of the "Church Extension Society."

Appointments.—The appointments to the Districts, of the various collections, were read by the Secretary.

Missionary Appropriations, made by the Presiding Elders, and concurred on by the Bishop, were presented and adopted.

Committees, &c.—The Secretary announced the list of Committees of examination for next year: The Triers of Appeals, the Conference Board of Church Extension, the Boards of Church Location; Committees on General Conference Entertainment, all of which were elected.

Missionary and Conference Sermon.—L. H. Jordon was appointed to preach the Missionary Sermon, and H. J. Boatman the Conference Sermon.

Resolution to loan \$100.00 to Frank Fletcher out of the Educational Fund, was adopted.

Transfers.—The list of transfers, from and to the West Virginia Conference, was read.

Statistical Report.—The Statistical Secretary presented his report, which was read by Districts, and adopted.

Nineteenth Question was called, "*Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*"—The following, after the usual proceedings, were continued in that relation: R. M. Wallace, Moore McNeel, J. T. Carroll, Asby Stephens, D. A. McGinnis, John Birkitt, R. L. Brooks, D. S. Benedum, J. B. West, R. Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. W. Reger, C. Conner, Robt. Brooks, J. J. Dolliver, Benj. Hagar, V. Sanford, Geo. Crossfield, L. E. Leslie, H. Scott, W. Wriston, G. W. Metheny, Robt. Laughlin, John A. Williams.

Eighteenth Question.—"Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?" was called, and the following were found to be in that relation: S. R. Dawson, R. L. Woodyard, S. Hitchens, E. D. W. King, N. M. Sommerville, W. G. Matton, G. R. Copeland and A. T. Morriston.

Change of Relation.—Under the call of the eighteenth and nineteenth questions, the following changes were made: R. M. Wallace, M. McNeel and J. T. Carroll were changed from Supernumerary to Superannuated, and A. Stevens from Effective to Superannuated; J. N. Eckess and E. Ford were located; A. T. Morriston was changed from Effective to Supernumerary, and E. C. Woodruff, D. H. K. Dix and J. H. Hess were changed from Supernumerary to Effective, and D. H. K. Dix was transferred to the DeMoines Conference.

Locations.—S. C. Loomis and L. D. King were located at their own request.

Without Appointment.—On motion, S. D. Tamblyn and R. E. Woodruff were left without appointments, to attend school.

The Sixth Question.—"Who are re-admitted?" was called, and James M. Grose, a Deacon of the first class, and T. R. Faulkner and J. T. Eichelberger, Elders, were re-admitted.

Second Question.—"Who are admitted on Trial?" was called, and Daniel W. Smith, Warren G. Smith, Joseph A. Hammond, George M. Kelley, John C. Kurtz, Andrew D. Adams, Levi N. Coffield, Benson B. Brooks and Marcellus Knotts having passed a

satisfactory examination in the course for admission, and being duly represented by their Presiding Elders, were admitted on trial.

A Resolution in reference to funds of the "Centennial Permanent Fund," was adopted.

Education.—The Committee on Education presented their report, pending which, Dr. Payne, of Ohio Wesleyan University, gave a hearty endorsement, and made a ringing speech. The report (and the speech) was adopted.

On motion of Geo. E. Hite, the name of Mr. Elwood Hughes, of Wheeling, was inserted in the place of the name of Hon. C. D. Hubbard, of Wheeling, on the Board of Supervision, of Mt. Union College.

Collections.—Collections for Secretary and Sexton were taken, amounting to \$17.71 and \$10.21.

Committee on Sabbath Observance made their report, which was amended, and adopted.

Complimentary Resolutions, embracing the Citizens of Morgantown, Secretaries, Trustees and Pastors of Churches, President and Faculty of the University, Railroads, Press, Editors of the Conference Daily, and to Bishop Mallalieu, were presented, and adopted by a rising vote.

Motion.—G. E. Hite moved, that after the reading of the Minutes and the appointments, the Conference do adjourn *sine die*. Carried.

The Conference joined in singing, "A charge to keep I have," and Samuel E. Jones made a touching and appropriate prayer. After some feeling remarks, the Bishop read the appointments. The Presiding Elders made announcements, and the Fortieth Session of the West Virginia Annual Conference was closed.

W. G. RHELDAMER, *Secretary*.

W. F. MALLALIEU, *President*.

Special Services.

Wednesday Evening.

Sermon by Dr. Earle Cranston.

Thursday Evening.

Conference Sermon by W. E. Loomis.

Friday Afternoon.

Services in the interests of the Sunday School Union and Tract Societies, addressed by Dr. A. H. Gillett.

Friday Evening.

Missionary Sermon by Dr. W. R. White.

Saturday Evening.

Temperance Mass-Meeting, addressed by Hon. G. W. Atkinson, Drs. Payne, Upham and Bayliss.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

9 A. M.—Conference Love Feast in charge of Dr. G. Martin.

10.30 A. M.—Sermon in University Hall, by Bishop W. F. Mallalieu. Text, Acts 19, 2: "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed." After which those elected Deacons were ordained.

3 P. M.—Sermon by Dr. J. H. Bayliss, followed by the Ordination of Elders.

7.30 P. M.—Educational Anniversary, addressed by Drs. Wheeler and Payne.

Disciplinary Questions.

Question 1.—"Who are received by transfer, and from what Conference?"

Answer.—Nathan L. Prince, from the Cincinnati Conference; Wm. W. King and Francis N. Lynch, from the North Ohio Conference; J. W. Griffiths, from the South Kansas Conference.

Question 2.—"Who are admitted on Trial?"

Answer.—Wm. H. Scott, Daniel W. Smith, Warren G. Smith, Joseph A. Hammond, George M. Kelley, John C. Kurtz, Andrew D. Adams, Levi N. Coffield, Benson B. Brooks, Marcellus Knotts.

Question 3.—"Who remain on Trial?"

Answer.—Douglas A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Charles E. Shaw, George C. Shaw, S. Eli Jones, Amos S. Arnett, Dexter B. Orr, Lorenzo D. Haines, George E. Ward.

Question 4.—"Who are discontinued?"

Answer.—Wm. Rader.

Question 5.—"Who are admitted into full connection?"

Answer.—Charles E. Clark, Charles F. Bollinger, Sanford P. Archer, Wm. P. Weekly, Taylor Richmond.

Question 6.—"Who are re-admitted?"

Answer.—T. R. Faulkner, G. M. Grose, J. T. Eichelberger.

Question 7.—"Who are received on credentials from other churches?"

Answer.—None.

Question 8.—"What Traveling Preachers have been elected Deacons?"

Answer.—Charles E. Clark, Charles F. Bollinger, Sanford P. Archer, Wm. P. Weekley.

Question 9.—"What Traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons?"

Answer.—Charles E. Clark, Charles F. Bollinger, Sanford P. Archer, Wm. P. Weekley.

Question 10.—"What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?"

Answer.—John J. White, George W. Swiger, Simon P. Crummett, Charles W. Myers, Amos S. Arnett.

Question 11.—"What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?"

Answer.—John J. White, George W. Swiger, Simon P. Crummett, Charles W. Myers, Amos S. Arnett.

Question 12.—"Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?"

Answer.—George W. Marston, Anderson A. Nichols, Newton M. Sommerville, Robert E. Woodruff, Charles E. Clark, Charles F. Bollinger, Sanford P. Archer, William P. Weekley, Taylor Richmond, Wm. W. King, Francis N. Lynch, James M. Grose.

Question 13.—"Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?"

Answer.—Thomas E. Galway, Columbus W. Cox, George W. Kepler, Elijah R. Skidmore, David F. Carder, Silas D. Tamblyn.

Question 14.—"What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?"

Answer.—James S. Boreman, David A. Friend, Watson R. Hennon, Richard B. Ward, Perry C. Mays.

Question 15.—"What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?"

Answer.—James S. Boreman, David A. Friend, Watson R. Hennon, Richard B. Ward, Perry C. Mays.

Question 16.—"What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?"

Answer.—Joseph A. Hammond, Henry E. Friend.

Question 17.—"What Local Deacons have been ordained Elders?"

Answer.—Joseph A. Hammond, Henry E. Friend.

Question 18.—"Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?"

Answer.—S. R. Dawson, R. L. Woodyard, S. Hitchens, E. D. W. King, N. M. Sommerville, W. G. Matton, G. R. Copeland and A. T. Morriston.

Question 19.—"Who are the Superannuated Preachers?"

Answer.—R. M. Wallace, M. McNeel, J. T. Carroll, A. Stevens, D. A. McGinnis, John Birkett, R. L. Brooks, D. S. Benedum, J. B. West, R. Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. W. Reger, C. Conner, Robert Brooks, J. J. Dolliver, B. Hager, V. Sanford, George Crossfield, L. E. Leslie, H. Scott, W. Wriston, G. W. Metheny, Robert Laughlin, J. A. Williams.

Question 20.—"Was the character of each Preacher examined?"

Answer.—Yes. The name of each Preacher was called, and his character examined as the Discipline requires.

Question 21.—"Have any died?"

Answer.—Neville C. Beckley, John S. Laughlin, Samuel Steele, Andrew Dixon.

Question 22.—"Have any been transferred, and to what Conference?"

Answer.—J. W. Bedford, to the Central Pennsylvania Conference; E. G. Harbert, to the Nebraska Conference; Clark Crawford, to the Central Ohio Conference; A. S. Loveall, to the Iowa Conference; D. H. K. Dix, to the DeMoines Conference.

Question 23.—"Have any withdrawn?"

Answer.—None.

Question 24.—"Have any been located at their own request?"

Answer.—S. C. Loomis and L. D. King.

Question 25.—"Have any been located?"

Answer.—J. N. Eckess and E. Ford.

Question 26.—"Have any been permitted to withdraw under charges?"

Answer.—None.

Question 27.—"Have any been expelled?"

Answer.—None.

Question 28.—"Who are Triers of Appeals?"

Answer.—W. W. Kelley, Levi Cross, C. R. Shackelford, J. Engle, L. W. Roberts, J. W. W. Bolton, Samuel E. Jones.

Question 29.—"What is the Statistical Report for this Conference year?"

<i>Answer.</i> —Probationers,		2,984
Members,		34,893
Local Preachers,		214

(See Statistical Tables.) Total, 38,091

Question 30.—"What are the claims on the Conference Fund?"

Answer.—Amount estimated for the needs of Conference Claimants and Widows, \$3,000

Question 31.—"What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied?"

Answer.—See Steward's Report, \$1,833.85.

Question 32.—"Where are the Preachers stationed?"

Answer.—See Appointments.

Question 33.—"Where shall the next Conference be held?"

Answer.—Parkersburg, W. Va.

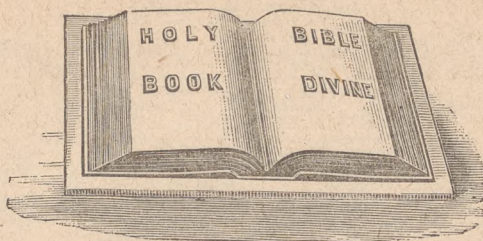


Post-Office Address of the Bishops for 1886.

- Rev. Bishop Thomas Bowman, D.D., LL.D., 3029 Washington Avenue, St. Louis, Mo.
Rev. Bishop William L. Harris, D.D., LL.D., 25 East Eighty-first Street, New York.
Rev. Bishop Randolph S. Foster, D.D., LL.D., 59 Rutland Street, Boston, Mass.
Rev. Bishop Stephen M. Merrill, D.D., 57 Washington Street, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. Bishop Edward G. Andrews, D.D., LL.D., Washington, D. C.
Rev. Bishop Henry W. Warren, D.D., LL.D., Denver, Col.
Rev. Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, D.D., LL.D., 1115 Nicollet Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.
Rev. Bishop John F. Hurst, D.D., LL.D., Buffalo, N. Y.
Rev. Bishop William X. Ninde, D.D., 146 Topeka Avenue, Kansas.
Rev. Bishop John M. Walden, D.D., LL.D., Chattanooga, Tenn.
Rev. Bishop Willard F. Mallalieu, D.D., 37 Natchez Street, New Orleans, La.
Rev. Bishop Charles H. Fowler, D.D., LL.D., 1041 Market Street, San Francisco, Cal.
Rev. Bishop William Taylor, D.D., St. Paul de Loanda, West Coast of Africa.

Methodist Episcopal Church.

HISTORIC NOTES.—First Society (of five members) organized in New York, by Philip Embury, a local preacher, October, 1776. First church edifice (John Street, New York) dedicated October 30, 1768. First itinerant preachers, Richard Boardman and Joseph Pilmoor, sent by Mr. Wesley, from England, 1769—the former stationed in New York, the latter in Philadelphia. First Conference held in Philadelphia in 1773. First Delegated General Conference held in New York in 1812. First Bishops, Thos. Coke, LL.D., and Francis Asbury, ordained in 1784. First Sunday School organized in 1786, in Hanover County, Va., by Bishop Asbury. The next General Conference meets in New York, May, 1888.



Appointments of Preachers.

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Morgantown District.

J. F. Chenoweth, Presiding Elder, 2. Post-office, Palatine, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
2	Arnettsville	1	C. W. Cox	Arnettsville	Monongalia	W. Va.
3	Blacksville	2	T. H. Trainer	Blacksville	Monongalia	"
4	Burton	1	W. H. Shaw	Burton	Wetzel	"
5	Grafton	2	S. B. D. Prickett	Grafton	Taylor	"
6	Halleck	1	N. L. Baumgardner	Gladesville	Preston	"
7	Jollytown	3	D. Cool	Jollytown	Greene	Pa.
8	Kingwood	2	E. H. Orwen	Kingwood	Preston	W. Va.
9	Knottsville	3	T. W. Chidester	Knottsville	Taylor	"
10	Masontown	3	J. S. Boreman	Masontown	Preston	"
11	Monongalia	2	J. C. Rexroad	Laurel Point	Monongalia	"
12	Morgantown	1	W. R. White	Morgantown	Monongalia	"
13	Morgantown Circuit	3	J. B. Feather	"	Monongalia	"
14	Palatine	2	F. G. W. Ford	Palatine	Marion	"

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Wheeling District.

Geo. E. Hite, Presiding Elder, 4. Post-office, Wheeling, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
16	Benwood	1	W. W. King	Benwood	Marshall	W. Va.
17	Cameron	1	H. J. Boatman	Cameron	Marshall	"
18	Dallas	2	C. S. Allemong	Dallas	Marshall	"
19	Greene	1	F. N. Lynch	Bannen	Marshall	"
20	Fulton	2	D. A. Denton	Clinton	Ohio	"
21	Marshall	1	S. King	Sherrard	Marshall	"
22	Moundsville	2	L. L. Stewart	Moundsville	Marshall	"
23	Moundsville Circuit	2	H. C. Sanford	Moundsville	Marshall	"
24	New Martinsville	2	D. S. Hammond	N. Martinsville	Wetzel	"
25	New Martinsville Circuit	1	J. T. Eichelberger	Proctor	Wetzel	"
26	Pleasant Valley	2	A. L. Curtis	Limestone	Marshall	"
27	Short Creek and Liberty	2	J. W. W. Bolton	West Liberty	Ohio	"
28	Triadelphia	1	Thomas E. Galway	Triadelphia	Ohio	"
29	Wheeling, Chapline St	2	J. C. Hull	Wheeling	Ohio	"
30	Wheeling, Fourth St	2	R. F. Randolph	Wheeling	Ohio	"
31	Wheeling, North St	2	M. F. Dryden	Wheeling	Ohio	"
32	Wheeling, Thomson Ch.	1	G. W. Grimes	Wheeling	Ohio	"
33	Wheeling, Wesley Ch.	1	D. L. Ash	Wheeling	Ohio	"
34	Wheeling, Zane St	3	J. H. Hess	Wheeling	Ohio	"

35 T. Cotton, Agent American Bible Society, Moundsville, W. Va.

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Oakland District.

C. H. Lakin, Presiding Elder, 4. Post-office, Oakland, Md.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
37	Albrightsville	1	T. R. Faulkner	Albright	Preston	W. Va.
38	Brandonville	2	L. W. Roberts	Brandonville	Preston	"
39	One to be supplied					
40	Cranesville	2	D. B. Orr	Cranesville	Preston	W. Va.
41	Deer Park	1	J. C. Kurtz	Deer Park	Garrett	Md.
42	Evansville	1	D. A. Friend	Evansville	Preston	W. Va.
43	Friendsville	2	A. S. Arnett	Friendsville	Garrett	Md.
44	Grantsville	1	Geo. M. Kelley	Grantsville	Garrett	"
45	Hambleton	1	S. P. Archer	Hambleton	Grant	W. Va.
46	Newburg	2	B. B. Evans	Newburg	Preston	"
47	Oakland	1	W. J. Sharpes	Oakland	Garrett	Md.
48	Pleasant Grove	1	M. Knotts	Sinclair	Preston	W. Va.
49	Randolph Mission	3	W. Virden (sup)	Red Creek	Tucker	"
50	Rowlesburg	3	A. D. Perry	Rowlesburg	Preston	"
51	St. George and Aurora	2	W. P. Weekley	Aurora	Tucker	"

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Clarksburg District.

Joseph Lee, Presiding Elder, 2. Post-office, Clarksburg, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
53	Bridgeport	2	G. Martin	Fairmont	Marion	W. Va.
54	Cherry Camp	1	B. F. Rogers	Cherry Camp	Harrison	"
55	Clarksburg	1	J. Engle	Clarksburg	Harrison	"
56	Fairmont	1	C. F. Bollinger	Fairmont	Marion	"
57	Logansport	2	T. Richmond	Logansport	Marion	"
58	Lumberport	1	E. C. Woodruff	Lumberport	Harrison	"
59	Mannington	1	J. W. Webb	Mannington	Marion	"
60	Marion	2	W. D. Carrico	Barracksville	Marion	"
61	Pine Grove	1	J. A. Hammond	Pine Grove	Wetzel	"
62	Pruntytown	1	C. J. Trippett	Pruntytown	Taylor	"
63	Quiet Dell	2	G. Rogers	Quiet Dell	Harrison	"
64	Salem	2	J. P. McCormick	Salem	Harrison	"
65	Smithton	1	M. Taylor	Smithton	Doddridge	"
66	West Milford	1	A. B. Rohrbough	West Milford	Harrison	"
67	Wilsonburg	2	B. D. Mahone	Wilsonburg	Harrison	"
68	Worthington	1	John Conwell	Palatine	Marion	"

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Buckhannon District.

W. G. Riheldaffer, Presiding Elder 4. Post-office, Buckhannon, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
70	Belington	2	W. E. Lovett	Buckhannon	Upshur	W. Va.
71	Beverly	3	Fred Cottrill	Beverly	Randolph	"
72	Buckhannon Station	1	L. H. Jordan	Buckhannon	Upshur	"
73	Buckhannon Circuit	2	C. Warman	Peck's Run	Upshur	"
74	Canaan	1	R. S. Welsh	Rock Cave	Upshur	"
75	Freemansburg	1	L. D. Haines	Freemansburg	Lewis	"
76	Frenchton	3	C. W. Upton	Rock Cave	Upshur	"
77	Gladys	2	E. R. Skidmore	Rock Cave	Upshur	"
78	Glenville	2	N. H. Prince	Glenville	Gilmer	"
79	Philippi	2	C. B. Graham	Philippi	Barbour	"
80	One to be supplied					
81	South Buckhannon	2	C. Poling	Philippi	Barbour	"
82	Sutton	2	G. H. Williams	Braxton C. H.	Braxton	"
83	Troy	2	C. B. Meredith	Troy	Gilmer	"
84	Webster	2	B. B. Brooks	Webster C. H.	Webster	"
85	Weston	1	B. Ison	Weston	Lewis	"

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Parkersburg District.

J. A. Fullerton, P. E., 2. Post-office, Parkersburg, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
87	Belleville	2	H. H. Miles	Belleville	Wood	W. Va.
88	Centreville	2	D. F. Carder	Ripley	Tyler	"
89	Elizabeth Station	1	C. E. Clark	Wirt C. H.	Wirt	"
90	Elizabeth Circuit	1	J. W. Hess	Wirt C. H.	Wirt	"
91	Ellenboro	1	W. H. Cooper	Ellenboro	Ritchie	"
92	Harrisville	2	A. Mick	Ritchie C. H.	Ritchie	"
93	Middlebourne	2	F. H. J. King	Middlebourne	Tyler	"
94	Parkersburg	2	W. E. Loomis	Parkersburg	Wood	"
95	Parkersburg Circuit.	2	W. W. Kelley	Parkersburg	Wood	"
96	Pleasants	1	L. N. Coffield	Horse Neck	Pleasants	"
97	Sistersville	1	C. J. Price	Sistersville	Tyler	"
98	Shiloh	1	N. J. Lowther	Shiloh	Tyler	"
99	Smithville	1	John Norris	Smithville	Ritchie	"
100	Valley Mills	2	S. Eli Jones	Valley Mills	Wood	"
101	Volcano		To be supplied	Volcano	Wood	"
102	West Union	1	W. G. Smith	West Union	Doddrige	"
103	Williamstown	2	J. L. Clark	Parkersburg	Wood	"

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Charleston District.

J. M. Warden, P. E., 3. Post-office, Charleston, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
105	Calhoun	1	M. W. Atkinson (sup)	Arnoldsburg	Calhoun	W. Va.
106	Charleston	1	A. J. Lyda	Charleston	Kanawha	"
107	Charleston Circuit	1	T. P. Ryan	Young's Mills	Kanawha	"
108	Clifton and Mason	1	G. W. Kepler	Clifton	Mason	"
109	East Charleston	1	J. S. Jenkins (sup.)	Glen Elk	Kanawha	"
110	Hartford City	1	J. W. Griffiths	Hartford City	Mason	"
111	Jackson	1	J. M. Grose	Lockharts	Jackson	"
112	Letart and Leon	1	G. W. Marston	Leon	Mason	"
113	Malden	1	A. Moore	Malden	Kanawha	"
114	Mill Creek	1	W. L. McCoy (sup.)	Fisher's Point	Kanawha	"
115	Point Pleasant	1	R. B. Ward	Point Pleasant	Mason	"
116	Raymond City	1	To be supplied	Frazier's Bottom	Mason	"
117	Ravenswood	1	U. Pribble	Ravenswood	Jackson	"
118	Ripley	1	E. D. W. King (sup.)	Jackson C. H.	Jackson	"
119	Spencer	1	C. R. Shackelford	Spencer	Roane	"
120	Walton	2	J. J. White (sup.)	Walton	Roane	"

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Guyandotte District.

M. W. Rider, Presiding Elder, 2. Post-office, Guyandotte, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
122	Barboursville	1	G. W. Matheny (sup)	Barboursville	Cabell	W. Va.
123	Cassville	1	J. T. Davis	Fort Gay	Wayne	"
124	Ceredo	2	W. A. Cheuvront	Ceredo	Wayne	"
125	Coal River		To be supplied	Peytona	Boone	"
126	Fairfields	1	J. E. Mobray (sup.)	Fairfields	Kanawha	"
127	Guyandotte	1	C. E. Shaw	Guyandotte	Cabell	"
128	Hamlin	1	Wm. Carroll (sup.)	Hamlin	Lincoln	"
129	Huntington	1	Samuel E. Jones	Huntington	Cabell	"
130	Laurel	1	C. W. Myers (sup.)	Tookey	Wayne	"
131	Monticello	1	J. L. Moses (sup.)	Beech Hill	Mason	"
132	St. Albans	1	G. R. Copeland (sup)	St. Albans	Kanawha	"
133	Wayne	2	B. Darlington	Elm Ford	Wayne	"
134	Winfield	1	G. C. Shaw	Winfield	Putman	"

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New River District.

R. H. Hughes, Presiding Elder, 3. Post-office, Raleigh C. H., W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
136	Boone	1	A. D. Adams	Hewitt	Boone	W. Va.
137	Clay	2	W. P. Guinn (sup.)	Tate Creek	Braxton	"
138	Concord	1	J. F. Snodgrass	Concord Church	Mercer	"
139	Elk River	1	G. L. Carder (sup.)	Newton	Roane	"
140	Fayette	2	L. D. Bryan	Kincaid	Fayette	"
141	Flat Top	1	Geo. E. Ward	Shady Springs	Raleigh	"
142	Hinchmans	2	W. R. Hennon	Bald Knob	Boone	"
143	Logan	2	To be supplied	Cow Creek	Logan	"
144	Mountain Cove	3	William Hunter	Leander	Fayette	"
145	Nicholas	1	Levi Cross	Keslers X Lanes	Nicholas	"
146	Oceana	2	Thos. Parris (sup.)	Oceana	Nicholas	"
147	Ophelia	2	J. Adamson (sup.)	Ophelia	Nicholas	"
148	Pleasant Retreat	1	P. C. Mays	Pleasant Retreat	Clay	"
149	Quinnimont	1	J. A. Dixon	Stone Cliff	Fayette	"
150	Raleigh Station	1	D. W. Smith	Raleigh C. H.	Raleigh	"
151	Raleigh Circuit	3	A. A. Nichols	Raleigh C. H.	Raleigh	"

152. Tambllyn, S. D.

153. Woodruff, R. E.

The above were left without appointment to attend school.

154. Moore, Okey J., Missionary to Santa Fe, New Mexico.



MEMOIRS.

REV. SAMUEL STEELE, D. D.

Samuel Steele was born in the city of Londonderry, in the province of Ulster, Ireland, May 12th, 1821, and died at his post in Buckhannon, May 24, 1886. His parents were strict members of the Established Church, under the teachings of which he was reared and carefully trained. We give in his own language, as found in the West Virginia Pulpit, the steps by which he was led to join the Wesleyan Methodists, to seek experimental religion, and finally to enter the itinerant ministry:

"My sisters were the first of our family to become Wesleyan Methodists, and many of the older Methodist ministers visited our house; yet this did not have any visible effect upon me in leading me to Methodism. Whilst admitting the goodness and faithfulness of these men of God, I preferred the ministrations of the Establishment, and attended them regularly, and was confirmed by Bishop Brant. In the year 1839, I was led to hear the Rev. James Lynch, a missionary who was with Dr. Coke when he died on his way to India. The text he chose was: "If the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and sinner appear?" It was a word spoken in season, and driven home to my heart by the Holy Spirit. I felt myself to be a sinner, and prayed more and read more in my Bible.

In this condition I lived six months, avoiding the Methodists, until the burden of my sins was too great to be borne any longer, when I joined the society, and on the 16th of February, 1840, was savingly converted to God at a 'mourner's bench.' The Lord blessed me powerfully." Soon he felt his call to the ministry, but like many others, struggled against it, until in a great measure he lost his enjoyment of religion.

In 1848, on the 12th of May, he sailed from Dublin, arriving at New York the 27th of June, and on the 4th of July at Fairmont, Virginia. Shortly after, he "handed his credentials to Dr. Gideon Martin," through whose advice and influence he was subsequently led to enter the ministry. He was licensed to preach at Gilboa, Marion county, and soon thereafter was sent to Beverly circuit, then known as "Brush College." His work from that time on was Weston circuit, 1851; Wayne circuit, 1852; Malden, 1853-4; Weston, 1855; Buckhannon, 1856-7; Harrisville, 1858-9; Parkersburg, 1860-1; Parkersburg District, 1862; when he was appointed chaplain of the 7th

Regiment West Virginia Volunteer Infantry, and remained in the service until the close of the war. His appointments subsequent to the war were Mannington, a part of 1865; Chapline Street, Wheeling, 1866-7; Presiding Elder of Clarksburg District, four years; Grafton, two; Morgantown District, four; Morgantown Station, one; North Street, Wheeling, three; Huntington, three; Buckhannon, one and one-half, where he fell at his post, armor on, all covered with glory.

He had his full share of honors of the Conference—deservedly so. He was Secretary of the Conference three times; elected to the General Conference in 1872. In 1876 he received the degree of Doctor of Divinity, worthily bestowed, and gracefully worn.

In 1856 he was married to Victoria Lorentz, daughter of Rev. John Lorentz, of Weston, who proved a faithful sharer of his toils, sorrows and triumphs. Now she, with her four sons and two daughters, and an aged sister, feel that they have suffered a great loss. He was indeed a loving husband, an indulgent father, a wise counselor, an affectionate brother, one ever ready to sacrifice his own ease, if in so doing he could add to their happiness. They, however, bow in meek submission, saying, "Not our will be done, but Thine."

Brother Steele was loyal to the country of his adoption, to his Church, to his God; and as a man, a citizen, a Christian, a minister, a counselor, was the peer of any man in the Conference.

The funeral services were held in the church at Buckhannon, May 26, 1886; and were in charge of W. G. Riheldaffer, Presiding Elder. Rev. J. W. Reger, at Brother Steele's request, preached the funeral sermon from 2 Tim 4, 2-9; theme—"Life Work and Reward of the Christian Minister."

Brother Steele's body was carried to the grave by the hands of his ministerial brethren of his own and other churches. The people of Buckhannon, and surrounding country, attested their high appreciation of him, by attending the funeral services in such numbers as had never attended a funeral in this region. He sleeps in the Heavner cemetery that sleep from which none ever wakes to weep.

REV. NEVILLE C. BECKLEY.

Rev. Neville C. Beckley died at the home of his maternal uncle, Mr. Hickie, in Charleston, West Va., October 16, 1885. He was born at Fort Hamilton, N. Y., December 5, 1834, while his father was a soldier and stationed at that place. In 1836 his father, Major Beckley, resigned his position in the army, and moved to Wildwood, Virginia, now Raleigh

C. H., West Virginia, where he still lives in peace and plenty, at the goodly age of eighty-four. In that beautiful, peaceable, and then sparsely settled neighborhood, Brother Beckley spent his boyhood days. He was educated at Pittsburgh, Pa.

When about nineteen years of age he was converted to God, and united with the M. E. Church, under the ministry of Rev. J. J. Dolliver. He was received on trial in the West Virginia Conference, at Charleston, March 10, 1870, and appointed to Boone circuit, 1870-2; Nicholas, 1873-5; Spencer, 1876-8; and Leon, 1879. In 1880 he went West, and remained two years. After his return he was appointed to Wayne circuit, 1882-4.

The Conference, at its session in Charleston, in September, 1885, appointed him to Malden, and while on his way to his new field, he was stricken down with paralysis, lingered eight days, and then fell asleep in Jesus. His brothers, John and Webster, removed his body to the home of their father at Raleigh C. H., where the funeral sermon was preached by Rev. H. Scott, and his body was laid in the grave to rest until the resurrection morn.

Brother Beckley had no doubts as to his conversion, or his call to the ministry. With strong convictions of duty, he entered the ministry, and for a space of fifteen years, with diligence, acceptability and success, he preached "Christ and him crucified." He was a good preacher, an excellent pastor, loving husband, a kind father, and a faithful friend. He was suddenly called to his reward, but not without gracious preparation. He said to Brother Scott a few days before his death: "I have never been so happy as in my last year's work; it has been the best year of my life." Thus God led him to the altar of perfect consecration, prepared him for a better home, and by a strange providence severed his connection with the Circuit and the Conference, and took him to join the brethren across the river.

REV. J. S. LAUGHLIN.

Rev. J. S. Laughlin was born in Pennsylvania in 1845, and died at his home in Deer Park, Garrett County, Md., in February, 1886. He was received on probation in the West Virginia Conference in 1872, and into full connection in 1874. He was a member of the West Virginia Conference thirteen years, during five of which he was supernumerary. Brother Laughlin, at the time of entering the Conference, was thought to be a young man of more than ordinary promise, but his health soon failed, so as to materially interfere with his work, both as it related to his studies and his ministerial labors; yet we think that up to the time of his death

he was very acceptable as a preacher wherever he was sent. At the time of his death he sustained a supernumerary relation to the Conference. He was converted in his 16th year, and thereafter, up to the time of his death lived a consistent Christian, and as a consequence his end was peace.

REV. ANDREW DIXON.

Rev. Andrew Dixon was born in the year of our Lord 1805. He was converted and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church at eight years of age. Through all the years that followed, he fully exemplified, to the church and to the world, the truth of his conversion and the value of early piety. He was admitted on trial into the Ohio Conference in 1832, and was ordained Deacon, and received into full connection in 1834, and ordained Elder in 1836. He assisted in the organization of the West Virginia Conference, in 1848, by division having fallen within its territorial limits. As a devoted and an acceptable minister of Christ, he spent 27 years as an effective and efficient worker in the vineyard of the Master; and many in the day of the Lord will acknowledge him as having been the instrument, in the hands of God, in bringing them to Christ.

For a number of years, on account of age and infirmity, he had been on the superannuated list, leading a quiet and somewhat retired life. February, 1886, in the full assurance of faith, he fell asleep, and entered upon the reward promised to the faithful minister of Christ. "Well done thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

JULIA C. HARTLEY.

Julia C. Hartley, widow of Rev. T. M. Hartley, of the West Virginia Conference, was born November 12, 1837, and died at her home in New Martinsville, W. Va., February 11, 1886. She was converted in 1859, through the instrumentality of Rev. R. L. Woodyard, of the West Virginia Conference. She was married to Rev. T. M. Hartley September, 1863, with whom she lived a happy life until his death in 1875, enduring and enjoying the life of the wife of an itinerant preacher.

She was an earnest, faithful Christian. Her life was such as did honor to herself, her family and the church. She enjoyed the experience of perfect love, professing it wisely but firmly, attesting it by her life. Her fatal illness lasted but a few days; and suddenly and peacefully she left

her five children and weeping friends to join her husband and friends who had departed to their home on high. One cloud alone shaded the last hours—that of leaving her children, one of which has been an invalid for two years, but she accepted this with habitual meekness, and said: “I am ready; it is just like stepping from one plank to another.” Perhaps no children ever felt the loss of mother more keenly than hers. They are not in absolute infancy, but at a time of life when the mind and character need care and oversight; when they need maternal supervision and the comfort of a mother’s kindly, constant, loving guidance. But it is by such lessons that God is constantly showing our wisdom to be foolishness, throwing us off from human calculations and back upon Himself. It is by such lessons, that appeal to our best and deepest, natural feelings, the Master is saying to us: “What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter.”

MRS. J. WESLEY WEBB.

Mary Elizabeth Webb, wife of Rev. J. W. Webb, was born in Albemarle county, Virginia, August 18, 1829. She was married to her now bereaved husband, by the Rev. Dr. Register, of the Baltimore Conference, November 19, 1851. She was converted in the year 1852 at Bridgewater, Rockingham county, Virginia, and was an active and faithful member of the Church until her death, which took place February 8, 1886, at Pruntytown, West Virginia.

With her husband she joined the itinerancy in the West Virginia Conference in 1854. By a pursuance of this course, so far as the temporal things of this world were concerned, she made many great sacrifices; her life was one of self-denial, in order to aid her husband to the utmost of her strength in the work of the ministry, and promote the prosperity of the Church. She was refined and tender in her nature, despised everything that was wrong, but loved the beautiful, pure and good. Before her health failed she was very active in the different branches of Church work; in particular, she was attentive in visiting the sick, and manifested a deep sympathy for them in their affliction. It was a great pleasure to her to entertain the gospel ministers at her home, and often would speak words of comfort to cheer them amid their toils and cares in West Virginia. The writer more than once heard it said of her: “She is as pure as an angel, and as free from deceit.”

About a year ago Sister Webb’s health began seriously to fail, and she often said: “My time is not long on earth, but Jesus is my precious

Savior. I am leaning on His arm, and He will bring me safely up to my heavenly home." She enjoyed a full, bright Christian experience of holy love and joy and good-will to all people. Her mind was clear to the last breath. She shouted and praised the Lord, talked to all who approached her, and said: "I am happy;" and urged them to meet her in Heaven. Her death was of a most triumphant nature.

Thus terminated the earthly stage of a beautiful, humble and devoted life. Our Sister has passed away from amongst us, but her memory will be one of unfading green to those with whom she lived and labored, and who were blessed with her friendship. Five of her children had passed on before to the heavenly land. She has left a husband and three children on earth to mourn, but in hope of meeting her again in a fairer clime, where no leaf shall wither nor flower ever fade.

MARGARET BROOKS.

Margaret Brooks, wife of Rev. R. Brooks, was born in Kanawha county, Virginia, January 12, 1815. In the year 1829 she was converted, and united with the M. E. Church at a quarterly meeting held at Logan Court House, by Rev. Isaac C. Hunter, then Presiding Elder of Kanawha District. Through her personal influence, the whole family was brought to Christ. On the 12th day of April, 1835, she was united in marriage with Robert Brooks. The sickness which culminated in her death, June 12, 1886, was long and severe, but her faith in God never wavered. She expressed herself willingly to go, if God was willing. As the wife of an itinerant minister, she bore her part faithfully and well. She exerted a powerful influence over all with whom she came in contact. She was ever loyal to the Church and to her God. She now rests from her labors, and enjoys her reward.

G. MARTIN, *Chairman.*

JOHN W. REGER,

C. WARMAN,

W. R. WHITE,

S. KING,

A. MOORE,

G. C. SHAW,

Members of the Committee.

Reports of Standing Committees.

Education.

A survey of the field of educational work in the bounds of our Conference is flattering. Our State began in a normal way with the primary schools. These were the first that commanded the attention of our legislators. They have passed the probation state, and are now one of the established institutions. Second in importance, the Normal Schools are realizing the expectations of the friends of popular education. Our State University, the outgrowth of these schools, and also of a special and imperative demand for the highest scholarship is winning its way to equal and deserved popularity with the other educational agencies. We are gratified to know that this hall of learning has entered on a career of prosperity, which promises to be permanent. Though having no representation as a denomination in the Board of Regents, and a very small representation in the Faculty, one not commensurate with the population that affiliate with us in our religious creed, and with the patronage rendered by our church, we, nevertheless, take pleasure in making a favorable presentation of the claims of

THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA.¹

The official reports that come to us from the various denominational schools and colleges that seek our patronage, indicate a most healthful state of affairs, truly flattering to the wisdom that manages them. No meretricious expedients or cheap advertisements are necessary to their support. Their merits are patent to all.

BEAVER COLLEGE AND MUSICAL INSTITUTE

For young ladies has a success and a prestige truly encouraging. Its alumni are found in various portions of our State and demonstrate the thoroughness of the training they have received in its halls.

ALLEGHANY COLLEGE

Has exhibited new energy. The recent changes in its administration and the enlargement of its facilities for instruction promise an encouraging future. The results of these changes are already seen in the increase of the number of students. This time-honored school deserves the reputation it has won, and we hope our people will consider its claims to our patronage.

THE OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

Also presents encouraging facts in regard to its management and success. During the year this school has taken a dignified and determined attitude on the frivolities of the age—theatre going—the follies of the ball-room and fashionable gambling. The past history and present enlarged patronage of this institution show that it is worthy of its fame and its success.

MT. UNION COLLEGE

Is still flourishing with bright hopes before it—its thronged halls and its unparalleled facilities for instruction commend it to a most favorable consideration.

THE WHEELING FEMALE COLLEGE

Has doubtless come to stay. President Brown has renewed the institution in its external appearance and its internal management as well. The introduction of natural gas for fuel will insure an exemption from the dismal dust that used to soil the neat and chaste attire of the young ladies who have been drinking at the fountain of learning.

OUR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES

Have assumed and maintained an honorable position in the great church work. Seemingly, they have operated against our interests as a Conference. Young men raised in our midst and called to the work of the ministry here, have, on leaving Drew, been invited to fields offering greater inducements than the pastorates of our own State.

These Seminaries have, however, been magnanimous in advising their students to return to their home fields when practicable. Your Committee deem it discourteous to make distinctions in favor of any one of our schools of theology. It is a source of gratification that we have institutions so noble as Boston University, Garrett Biblical Institute, and Drew Theological Seminary. The last being nearest to our work, has naturally attracted more attention from us. It has done great service to the young men who went from us, though they have not returned. In this matter we would not permit our selfishness to derange, in the slightest degree, the functions of this training school for ministers. With its superior library of 18,000 volumes; its new fire-proof library hall, costing \$85,000; its skillful and scholarly corps of instructors; and its facilities for culture in the apostolical curriculum in whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, and its reverence for the old landmarks in theology merit all praise.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

The annual circular from the Educational Society of the Church presents comparatively new and attractive features in our educational work. Dr. D. P. Kidder honored us with his presence, and gave interesting facts in reference to the aid afforded many of our young people, ladies as well as gentlemen. The receipts for the last four years in our State were \$865.40, and loans of \$1,070 were made to parties residing in our territory. The advantages of Children's Day become more perceptible, as the experiment receives proper trial. We advise universal observance of this day, and the most careful efforts in making the exercises dignified, as well as attractive.

THE CONFERENCE SEMINARY.

Your Committee deem it imperative on them to place permanently before you the subject of a Conference Seminary. For years the Committee on Education has kept this enterprise in view, but all action hitherto has been tentative. The time has come when this Conference ought to take definite steps toward this work. Is there not among us some who are public-spirited enough, and financially able to aid in the establishment of a Conference Seminary? The money spent in securing educational advantages outside of your State every year, in the one item of transportation of 100 pupils, would amount to \$2,000. This sum would pay the tuition of the same number of pupils for one year. We have been waiting a long time for this school in vain. There are two ways of waiting, however; one the Bible way—waiting in the use of the means—the other, that of a hero of fiction—waiting for something to turn up—that has failed hopelessly, let us try the other.

It has occurred to us, that a special day be assigned to the interests of our proposed school, and that the second Sunday of January be observed to present this enterprise to our congregations, and collections and subscriptions taken for this purpose. We recommend the appointment of Rev. J. W. Reger and J. A. Barnes, Esq., to fill the vacancies caused by the death of Rev. S. Steele, and Hon. N. Goff, and that Rev. W. R. White be substituted for Rev. H. P. Boatman in the Board of the Trustees of the West Virginia Conference Seminary. We recommend that the Board secure a charter of incorporation as speedily as possible, and that they are hereby authorized to locate this school, and give publicity to its location at the earliest date, and to employ an agent, if in their judgment, they should deem it advisable. We recommend further, that the money in the hands of the treasurers of the educational funds, and that also in the hands of the board of control of the centennial educational funds be handed over to the treasurer of the Board of Trustees of said West Virginia

Conference Seminary, so soon as it is incorporated and organized. We recommend the following appointments:

Board of Control—Alleghany College—Hon. B. F. Martin, J. C. Bardall, Esq., Rev. L. H. Jordon and Dr. J. A. Fullerton. *Visiting Committee*—Dr. R. F. Randolph, Rev. J. H. Hess and Rev. L. L. Stewart.

Ohio Wesleyan University—Hon. J. C. McGrew, re-appointed, and Hon. G. W. Atkinson in place of H. K. List, Esq., resigned. *Visiting Committee*—Rev. G. E. Hite and Rev. S. B. D. Prickett.

Mount Union College—Committee of Supervision—Dr. T. H. Logan, Frank Woods, Esq., and J. Elwood Hughes, Esq. *Visiting Committee*—Rev. Dr. Bolton, Rev. D. S. Hammond and Rev. M. F. Dryden.

Visiting Committees—Drew Theological Seminary—Rev. S. E. Jones, Rev. J. Lee, Rev. W. R. White; *Beaver Institute*—Rev. J. W. Webb and W. A. Wilson, Esq.; *Wheeling Female Seminary*—Rev. H. C. Sanford and Rev. Dr. Bolton.

W. R. WHITE, *Secretary*.

A. J. LYDA, *Chairman*.

ON TEMPERANCE.

WHEREAS, The liquor traffic is the acknowledged curse of our land, and the enemy of everything good,

Resolved, That we declare our uncompromising opposition to said traffic, and oppose the licensing of it in any form, or for any price.

Resolved, That our only hope of the destruction of the drink traffic is through the agency of constitutional prohibition, and we call upon the next Legislature to allow the people of West Virginia their unquestioned right to vote upon this subject.

Resolved, That our National Government should refuse to license the traffic in the District of Columbia and in the Territories.

Resolved, That the sale of liquor in the Capitol at Washington, and in the Soldiers' Home at Dayton, Ohio, is a shame to our nation.

Resolved, That the martyrdom of Rev. Geo. C. Haddock, in Sioux City, Iowa, appeals to our hearts; and we express our sympathy for the bereaved family, and declare our purpose but intensified to overthrow this common enemy that would fain strike down every heroic and courageous minister of our land. We hold as guilty of this crime, not only the man who fired the shot, but the lawless traffic against which Bro. Haddock labored, and also the officials who were sworn to execute the laws in Sioux City.

Resolved, That we favor scientific instruction on the subject of Temperance in the public schools, and call upon the next Legislature in our State to make the teaching of temperance obligatory in all the public schools of West Virginia.

We rejoice in the work and devotion to principle of the W. C. T. U., and pledge this noble organization our sympathy and support.

We rejoice in the rapidly growing sentiment against the drink traffic, as seen by the agitation in every part of our land, and we anticipate the day when the temperance hosts of every State in the Union shall be united against the common foe.

We endorse and heartily commend to our people the following utterance of our General Conference of 1884, as recorded in paragraph 554, of the Discipline:

“We hold that the proper attitude of Christians toward this traffic is one of uncompromising opposition; and, while we do not presume to dictate to our people as to their political affiliations, we do express the opinion that they should not allow themselves to be controlled by party organizations that are managed in the interest of the liquor traffic.”

A. B. ROHRBOUGH, *Chairman*.

J. C. HULL, *Secretary*.

Reports of the Board of Stewards.

The Board of Stewards met and examined the reports from the Charges and would respectfully report the following amounts received for Conference Claimants:

From Morgantown District	\$140 00
“ Wheeling “	541 10
“ Oakland “	128 00
“ Clarksburg “	120 25
“ Buckhannon “	109 00
“ Parkersburg “	176 50
“ Charleston “	54 00
“ Guyandotte “	32 00
“ New River “	28 00
“ Collections not reported	10 00
Total from Conference	\$1,338 85
Received dividend from Book Concern	223 00
“ from Chartered Fund	30 00
“ Interest on Permanent Fund	242 00
Total Receipts	\$1,833 85

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Widow Blundon.....	\$ 10 00	Paid to.....	A. J. Lyda.
" " Richmond.....	10 00	"	A. L. Curtis.
" " Burns.....	30 00	"	S. E. Jones.
" " Irwin.....	10 00	"	A. B. Rohrbough.
" Children of Widow Hartley	150 00	"	D. S. Hammond.
" Widow Monroe.....	75 00	"	R. B. Ward.
" " Batelle.....	10 00	"	W. G. Riheldaffer.
" " Weavers.....	140 00	"	"
" " Young.....	145 00	"	"
" " Parriott.....	150 00	"	B. Ison.
" " Heaston.....	100 00	"	W. G. Riheldaffer.
" " Steele.....	150 00	"	W. E. Lovett.
" " Beckley.....	100 00	"	M. W. Rider
" " Laughlin.....	130 00	"	C. H. Lakin.
" Rev. J. J. Dolliver.....	75 00	"	G. E. Hite.
" " B. Hagar.....	50 00	"	A. J. Lyda.
" " R. L. Brooks.....	65 00	"	W. E. Lovett.
" " Robert Brooks.....	10 00	"	W. H. Shaw.
" " D. S. Benedum.....	40 00	"	J. P. McCormick.
" " C. Conner.....	36 00	"	G. E. Hite.
" " W. Wriston.....	25 00	"	L. D. Bryan.
" " Geo. Crossfield.....	14 00	"	J. A. Fullerton.
" " B. Darlington.....	10 00	"	Self.
" " R. Northcraft.....	100 00	"	Self.
" " John B. West.....	15 00	"	J. L. Clark.
" " J. C. Carroll.....	10 00	"	M. W. Rider.
" " R. M. Wallace.....	100 00	"	L. D. King.
" " W. D. Carrico.....	20 00	"	A. B. Rohrbough.
" " Charles Shaw.....	27 85	"	Self.
" " G. W. Matheney.....	10 00	"	J. M. Warden.
" " Geo. E. Ward.....	6 00	"	Self.
" " Oley Hughes, son of T. M. Hughes, dec'd.....	10 00	"	B. Ison.

Total Disbursements... \$1,833 85

WHEREAS, The Board of Stewards has labored under great difficulty in obtaining proper information as to Conference Claimants, therefore,

Resolved, That Bro. J. Engle be requested to furnish each pastor with a proper blank, to make report as to the needs of the Conference Claimants.

Respectfully Submitted.

W. E. LOVETT, *President*.

JOHN BAILIE, *Secretary*.

On motion of J. A. Fullerton, \$4.00 not, reported to the Stewards, was added to the appropriation of George Crossfield. Also \$6.00, coming into the Presiding Elders' hands, was paid to George E. Ward. I have placed both items in the above report.

SECRETARY.

Secretary's Report.

Incidental Expenses.

RECEIPTS.

Collection at the last session of Conference,	\$11 59
Received from Geo. C. Wilding,	7 65
Total Receipts,	\$19 24

EXPENDITURES.

J. F. Chenoweth's bill,	\$ 8 55
J. L. Clark's bill,	2 92
Postage, Expressage, Stationary, &c.,	16 45
Total Expenses,	\$27 92
Balance due the Secretary,	\$ 8 68
	\$27 92

Conference Minutes.

RECEIPTS.

Received from Advertisements,	\$226 75
Received from Preachers at Conference,	69 22
Received from Preachers since Conference,	72 78
Received from Geo. C. Wilding,	25 00
Total Receipts,	\$393 75

EXPENDITURES.

Printing 2,000 copies of Minutes,	\$226 50
Akron's Mailing and Stationary bill,	13 88
Postage, Expressage, Wrapping, &c.,	44 53
Total Expenses,	\$284 91
Balance in Secretary's hands,	108 84
	\$393 75

Respectfully Submitted,

W. G. RHELDAPPER,
Secretary W. Va. Conference.

Pittsburgh Advocate.

Financial Report of the Pittsburgh *Christian Advocate*, for the year ending June 1, 1886.

Income.

From Subscriptions	\$12,865 20
“ Advertisements	4,771 78
“ Other Sources	235 18
Total	\$17,872 16

Expenditures.

For Printing Paper	\$3,565 70
“ Composition	3,055 56
“ Editor's Salary	3,000 00
“ Press Work, Folding and Pasting	1,379 31
“ Business Agent's Salary	1,200 00
“ Correspondence and Contributions	1,200 00
“ Postage	581 25
“ Editorial Office Expenses	1,000 00
“ General Expenses, including Wrapping Paper and Market Report	1,420 49
Total Expenditures	\$16,402 31
Net Gain for the Year	\$ 1,469 85

Assets.

Cash	\$ 5,350 95
Bills Receivable	4,093 68
Investment in Building	6,829 08
Office Furniture and Material	1,775 05
Due from Sundries	7,268 95
Total Assets	\$25,317 71

Liabilities.

Due to Sundries	\$679 48
Subscriptions paid in advance	848 03
Total Liabilities	\$ 1,527 51
Assets, Less Liabilities	\$23,790 20

Circulation.

East Ohio Conference	3,000
Pittsburgh Conference	2,470
Erie Conference	1,960
West Virginia Conference	1,160
Outside patronizing Conferences	210
Exchange and Free	500
Total	9,300

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. A. MOORE,
For Pub. Com.

Missionary Collection.

Missions.

Morgantown District	\$ 392 00
Wheeling	1425 85
Oakland	349 00
Clarksburg	319 00
Buckhannon	281 00
Parkersburg	510 00
Charleston	136 00
Guyandotte	72 00
New River	46 97
Total	\$3531 82
Last Year	3234 58
Increase	\$ 297 24

Bishop's Fund.

Morgantown District	\$ 80 00
Wheeling	170 00
Oakland	50 15
Clarksburg	49 50
Buckhannon	41 00
Parkersburg	63 00
Charleston	29 50
Guyandotte	12 00
New River	14 11
Total	\$ 509 26
Last Year	507 00
Increase	\$ 2 26

Church Extension.

Morgantown District	\$ 40 00
Wheeling	137 00
Oakland	32 00
Clarksburg	25 00
Buckhannon	17 00
Parkersburg	45 50
Charleston	17 00
Guyandotte	5 00
New River	4 50
Total	\$ 323 00
Last Year	308 50
Increase	14 50

Freedmen's Aid.

Morgantown District	\$ 33 00
Wheeling	127 00
Oakland	27 00
Clarksburg	28 00
Buckhannon	20 00
Parkersburg	40 50
Charleston	11 25
Guyandotte	2 00
New River	4 00
Total	\$ 292 75
Last Year	272 00
Increase	\$ 20 75

Educational.

Morgantown District	\$ 32 50
Wheeling	86 99
Oakland	44 69
Clarksburg	40 00
Buckhannon	39 00
Parkersburg	39 25
Charleston	29 45
Guyandotte	7 50
New River	00 00
Total	\$ 319 38
Last Year	313 96
Increase	\$ 5 42

Sunday School Union.

Morgantown District	\$ 7 00
Wheeling	32 00
Oakland	10 00
Clarksburg	8 00
Buckhannon	8 00
Parkersburg	9 00
Charleston	3 00
Guyandotte	2 00
New River	1 00
Total	\$ 80 00
Last Year	82 00
Decrease	\$ 2 00

Tract Cause.

Morgantown District	\$ 5 00
Wheeling	31 36
Oakland	12 00
Clarksburg	9 00
Buckhannon	7 00
Parkersburg	9 50
Charleston	4 25
Guyandotte	2 00
New River	00 00
Total	\$ 80 11
Last Year	90 50
Decrease	\$ 10 39

American Bible Society.

Morgantown District	\$ 42 45
Wheeling	94 55
Oakland	34 95
Clarksburg	16 00
Buckhannon	13 89
Parkersburg	17 50
Charleston	16 56
Guyandotte	13 41
New River	00 00
Total	\$ 249 31
Last Year	287 88
Decrease	\$ 38 57

J. L. CLARK, Treasurer.

W. F. M. Society

Annual Report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society,
West Virginia Conference Division:

Guyandotte District—Mrs. A. E. Walcott, District Secretary.

Guyandotte Scholarship Fund	\$ 20 00
Huntington	23 00

Total	43 00
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Morgantown District—Mrs. F. Heermans, District Secretary.

Masontown	\$ 3 63
Laurel Point	9 60
Albrightsville	8 77
Kingwood, including "Busy Bees"	39 31
Morgantown District (Willey scholarship)	40 00
Morgantown Auxiliary	32 72
Arnettville	2 00
Grafton, including "Buds of Promise"	18 62
Camp Chapel "Save all Band"	36
Knottsville Circuit—from Rosalie Thayer and Estella J. Chidester's Mite Boxes	7 00
Morgantown District—Mite Boxes	7 38

Total	\$169 39
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Parkersburg District—Mrs. A. E. Baldwin, District Secretary.

Parkersburg Auxiliary	\$57 50
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Total	\$57 50
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Wheeling District—Mrs. Geo. C. Gordon, District Secretary.

Zane Street	\$ 20 00
Chapline Street	42 00
Triadelphia	12 00
Thomson Church, including Sumner Band	68 75
Fourth Street, including Randolph Mission	61 80
Moundsville, including Moore Band and Y. L. Auxiliary	47 36
New Martinsville	2 60
Pleasant Hill	7 00
Wesley Chapel	5 50

Total	\$267 01
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Total for the year	\$536 90
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Amount Received from Conference Envelopes.

Buckhannon	\$ 10 00	Short Creek and Liberty	1 00
Newburg	1 00	New Martinsville	2 00
Arnettville	1 00	Pleasant Valley	2 00
Frenchton	1 00	St. Marys	3 75
Cranesville	1 00	Cherry Camp	1 00
Selbysport	1 00	Palatine	1 00
North Street	2 00	Quiet Dell	2 00
Marshall	3 00		

Total	\$32 75
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Grand Total	\$569 65
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MRS. T. W. CHIDESTER, Sec. W. Va. Conf. Div.

¶Parsonages and Furniture¶

Your Committee on Parsonages and Furniture present the following as its report :

WHEREAS, It is in accord with the laws of our Church that every charge have a furnished parsonage, and we find of the 147 charges, but 74 have parsonages, and only a few of this number furnished ; therefore,

Resolved, That each pastor put forth special efforts to arouse the Church to the importance of this Church enterprise, and that great care be used in the selection of the local Parsonage Committee, with reference to the interest and special qualifications of each member to execute the plans suggested by the pastor.

And we further recommend that each pastor who goes to a church without a parsonage, select his home with a view of making it the property of the Church, and having the same furnished with heavy furniture by the Church.

CHAS. E. SHAW, *Secretary*.

C. B. GRAHAM, *Chairman*.

¶Report of Committee on Bible Cause¶

Your Committee on the Bible Cause submit the following report :

Recognizing the Holy Bible as the inspired word of God, and convinced that its general dissemination among all classes is indispensable to their being truly instructed in the knowledge of God, and in the principles of virtue and good morals, and also that the reading of the Bible alone, has been the means of the conversion and salvation of many souls, and that it cannot fail to exert a most salutary influence upon all that read it ; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we note with sincere rejoicing the already widely extending diffusion of the Holy Scriptures, and regard with profound gratitude the present facilities afforded for supplying every family, either by purchase or gift with the word of God.

Resolved, 2. That we, as ministers, will cheerfully co-operate with any and all agencies instituted for the promotion of this good work, and urge upon our people the importance of sustaining it, both with their sympathy and their contributions.

Resolved, 3. That as Rev. Thos. Cotton, of our Conference, has been appointed State Bible Agent, that we, as a Conference, heartily approve of the judgment of the Society in his selection, and request his appointment by the Bishop, and that we, as a Conference, will render to him all the aid we possibly can, and that we shall heartily and cheerfully welcome him to our charge.

F. G. W. FORD, *President*.

S. P. ARCHER, *Secretary*.

Apportionment of Benevolent Collection.

DISTRICTS.	Missionary.	Conference Claimants.	Church Extension.	Episcopacy.	Freedmen's Aid.
Morgantown	658 00	354 00	96 00	104 00	107 00
Wheeling	1521 00	830 00	224 00	244 00	250 00
Oakland	440 00	240 00	64 00	70 00	80 00
Clarksburg	658 00	354 00	96 00	104 00	100 00
Buckhannon	550 00	300 00	80 00	88 00	90 00
Parkersburg	658 00	354 00	96 00	104 00	107 00
Charleston	440 00	240 00	64 00	70 00	75 00
Guyandotte	330 00	180 00	48 00	52 00	48 00
New River	275 00	150 00	41 00	45 00	43 00
	5530 00	3002 00	809 00	881 00	900 00

Periodicals and Book Accounts.

Your Committee on Periodicals and Book Accounts beg leave to submit the following report :

Having examined the papers placed in our hands, giving an exhibit of the various publishing interests of our Church, we find them highly satisfactory and encouraging ; and,

WHEREAS, Our country is being flooded with books and periodicals which have a tendency to undermine the morals of the young ; and,

WHEREAS, The Pittsburgh *Christian Advocate* has a circulation of less than twelve hundred copies within the bounds of our Conference ; and,

WHEREAS, An increased circulation of Church papers would educate and make loyal the members of our Churches, and advance the interests of the Redeemer's Kingdom ; be it

Resolved, That we, as Ministers of the Gospel, will make earnest and persistent efforts, during the ensuing Conference year, to secure a larger patronage to the papers published by our Church, and that we will specially urge upon our members the importance of placing at least one of these papers in their homes.

Resolved, That it should be obligatory upon every preacher of the Conference to urge the use of our own Church papers and Sunday School publications, to the exclusion of all the cheaper and inferior products of other presses.

Signed,

S. D. TAMBLYN, *Chairman*.

T. E. GALWAY, *Secretary*.

Centennial Fund Report.

Report of the Treasurer Centennial Fund to the West Virginia Annual Conference:

September 9, 1886—Cash on hand or loaned as per detailed report to Board of Control	\$511 60
Notes to be collected	214 00
Total of Fund to date	\$725 60
Divided as follows:	
Permanent Fund—Cash	\$289 09
Notes	153 00
	\$442 09
Seminary Fund—Cash	\$222 57
Notes	61 00
	\$283 57

J. A. FULLERTON, *Treasurer.*

Report on General Conference Entertainment.

Having considered the functions of the Committee, we apportion the amount, \$578.00, to the several districts in the Conference, as follows:

Morgantown District	\$ 72 00
Wheeling "	158 00
Oakland "	46 00
Clarksburg "	63 00
Buckhannon "	57 00
Parkersburg "	72 00
Charleston "	46 00
Guyandotte "	35 00
New River "	29 00

We recommend the Conference to appoint the Sub-committees required in the plan, adopted by the General Conference.

A. J. LYDA, *Chairman.*

W. W. KELLY, *Secretary.*

Report of Committee on Missions.

Your Committee on Missions submit the following report:

WHEREAS, The Methodist Episcopal Church, from her organization, has ever been earnestly and energetically engaged in the spread of the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; and,

WHEREAS, This Gospel is the only means of salvation to a lost and ruined world, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, do pledge ourselves to make more earnest and diligent efforts to secure a larger contribution to the missionary funds than ever made in any previous Conference year. To this end we pledge ourselves to preach a missionary sermon to each of our congregations, upon our several fields of labor within the year, and at the close of said services take up a collection and subscription for the missionary cause.

Resolved, That all Pastors who neglect to see to the organization of our Sunday Schools into missionary society, shall be regarded by us, as a Conference, as having neglected his duty to his people, Church and God.

We recommend the circulation of our Church literature, bearing upon this subject more especially.

"The Gospel in all lands," and little missionary.

S. D. TAMBLYN, *Chairman*.

H. H. MILES, *Secretary*.

Missionary Appropriations.

The Committee on Missions offer the following report:

Morgantown District.

Burton \$100 00

Wheeling District.

New Martinsville Station... \$ 50 00

New Martinsville Circuit... 50 00

\$100 00

Oakland District.

Pleasant Grove \$ 40 00

Deer Park 75 00

Randolph Mission 60 00

Hamilton 50 00

Cranesville 25 00

\$250 00

Clarksburg District.

Pine Grove 50 00

Worthington 40 00

Logansport 50 00

Salem 20 00

\$160 00

Buckhannon District.

Belington \$ 50 00

Canaan 40 00

Webster 40 00

Glady 50 00

Glenville 20 00

\$200 00

Charleston District.

District \$120 00

East Charleston 50 00

Mill Creek 50 00

Raymond City 50 00

Ripley 50 00

Jackson 50 00

Walton 50 00

\$420 00

W. G. RIHELDAFFER, *Secretary*.

Parkersburg District.

Pleasants \$ 50 00

Volcano 50 00

\$100 00

Guyandotte District.

District \$250 00

Barboursville 50 00

Cassville 100 00

Ceredo 75 00

Coal River 25 00

Fairfields 100 00

Guyandotte 50 00

Hamlin 75 00

Laurel 25 00

St Albans 50 00

Winfield 150 00

\$950 00

New River District.

District \$200 00

Raleigh 50 00

Pleasant Retreat 20 00

Elk River 20 00

Logan 30 00

Flat Top 40 00

Concord 50 00

Clay 50 00

Fayette 40 00

Hinchman 100 00

Boone 30 00

Oceana 40 00

Ophelia 40 00

Mt. Cove 25 00

Quinnimont and Hinton 85 00

\$820 00

G. E. HITE, *Chairman*.

I hereby concur to the above.

W. F. MALLALIEU.

Sunday Schools.

WHEREAS, The Sunday School work is one of great importance in building up the Church and molding the character of the rising generation; therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That we earnestly request the Presiding Elders and Pastors to give special attention to this work.

2. That they insist upon and require all schools to be organized according to the direction of the Discipline.

3. That we use all diligence to banish from our schools all literature that is not our own.

4. That we will endeavor to have every Sunday School continued through all the Sundays of the year.

5. That we heartily endorse the good "Tidings Day," and will observe it so far as possible, and will strive to increase our collections for the Sunday Union and Tract Society.

F. COTTRILL, *Chairman*.

M. TAYLOR, *Secretary*.

Tracts.

WHEREAS, The Tract Society is an important enterprise of the Church, by which a large amount of religious truth has been freely circulated, and is effecting much good; therefore,

Resolved, That, as in early days of Methodism the distributions of tracts was blessed of God, in the salvation of many precious souls, we will urge the Committees on Tracts in our charges to see that the people are supplied with the publications of our Tract Society.

F. COTTRILL, *Chairman*.

M. TAYLOR, *Secretary*.

Freedmen's Aid Society.

We, your Committee on Freedmen's Aid Society, submit the following:

Having fully examined the documents placed in our hands, we find that not only the Society, but the whole Church, has reason for gratitude to the "Giver of all blessings," for the success that has attended its efforts.

Having established schools of all grades, from the common school to the University, in which 1,090,000 or more of students have been taught, and from which go out hundreds of students to fill many high and important positions, the demands of the society are so great, that it needs at least \$250,000 annually, and in order that it may have this most needed sum, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the West Virginia Conference, join with the entire Church in putting forward a more earnest effort in behalf of this Society, and that we will present its claims in a sermon or lecture at least once a year to our societies.

C. W. UPTON, *Chairman*.

A. L. CURTIS, *Secretary*.

District Conference Records.

Your Committee on District Conference Records submit the following as our report:

Your Committee find, after a thorough examination of these books (three in number), that no serious errors or mistakes occur, and that the form of entry of each item is good; but would advise increased neatness and care in style and arrangement.

Signed,

S. ELI JONES.

N. L. BAUMGARDNER.

Permanent Fund.

PARKERSBURG, September 22, 1886.

In accordance with the order of the Conference, \$300.00 from the Pump-hry Fund has been paid to the Church at Hartford City. The last \$100.00 will be due in October and will be paid as soon as due, which will reduce the Pump-hry Fund to \$1,425.00. The interests on the Permanent Fund \$242.00 has been paid over to the Board of Stewards.

JAMES L. CLARK, *Treasurer*.

Educational Fund.

PARKERSBURG, September 22, 1886.

The loan authorized by the Conference to Bro. Engle for \$50, and to Bro. O. J. Moore for \$100 have been paid, they giving security for the same. No other change has taken place in the Fund.

JAMES L. CLARK, *Treasurer*.

Observance of the Sabbath.

Resolved, 1. That we regard the observance of the Sabbath as one of the most important features of our American Protestant life, and as a Church, we are unalterably opposed to every form of Sabbath desecration, whether the form be that of excursions, public or private amusements, public gatherings for other than religious purposes, or any or all the evils which threaten danger to a pure and holy Sabbath day.

Resolved, 2. That we regard it highly important in the present struggle of the Evangelical Churches of the country, with a debased foreign influence, and with all the forces of wrong which are led by the liquor traffic, that our Church members and Church Associations, of every kind, refrain from any indulgences or practices which tend to lessen the respect of the people for the Church, or to give occasion of reproach to the cause of Christ.

R. F. RANDOLPH, *Secretary*.

The following amendment was offered and adopted :

WHEREAS, By open gates, certain Camp Meetings in the bounds of this Conference have encouraged the profaning of the Lord's day, and the running of excursion trains on the Sabbath ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, as members of the West Virginia Conference, will discourage both by our absence and non-patronage, all such Sabbath desecration.

Presiding Elders' Accounts.

Your Committee on auditing Presiding Elders' accounts, respectfully submit the following report :

We have examined the accounts of all the Presiding Elders, and find them properly receipted and correct, in every particular.

C. E. CLARK,
G. W. KEPLER,
W. P. WEEKLEY,
Committee.

Certificate of Ordination.

This is to certify that the undersigned on September 26, 1886, at Morgantown, W. Va., ordained to the office of Deacon in the Church of God John J. White, George W. Swiger, Simon P. Crummett, Charles W. Myers, Amos S. Arnett, Charles F. Bollinger, Sanford P. Archer, Wm. P. Weekley and Charles E. Clark.

Done at Morgantown, W. Va., September 26, 1886.

W. F. MALLALIEU.

This is to certify that the undersigned, assisted by several Elders, on September 26, 1886, at Morgantown, W. Va., ordained to the office of Elders, in the Church of God, James S. Boreman, David A. Friend, Watson R. Hennon, Richard B. Ward, Perry C. Mays, Joseph A. Hammond and Henry E. Friend.

Done at Morgantown, W. Va., September 26, 1886.

W. F. MALLALIEU.

Resolutions.

Resolved, That we hereby extend our very cordial thanks—

To the people of Morgantown for their generous entertainment of our Conference;

To our faithful Secretaries for their valuable and untiring services;

To the Trustees and Pastors of the various churches for their true Christian, fraternal greetings;

To the President and faculty of our State University for their courtesy and words of welcome;

To the various Railroads for many favors shown us; and

To the Press of this town for their interest in our Conference, especially to the Publishers of the Conference Daily.

J. A. FULLERTON.

JOSEPH LEE.

J. F. CHENOWETH.

J. M. WARDEN.

R. H. HUGHES.

Resolved, That in this, his first official visit to our Conference, Bishop Mallalieu, by his kind and generous administration, his words of sympathy and earnest encouragement, his able and inspiring preaching, and his perfect Christian bearing and brotherly love towards all, has greatly endeared himself to our hearts, and we will ever welcome the day that returns him to the West Virginia Conference as our Presiding Bishop. May he live long to bless the Church with his genial presence and wise counsels.

JOSEPH LEE.

J. F. CHENOWETH.

J. A. FULLERTON.

J. M. WARDEN.

R. H. HUGHES.

Resolved, That the funds of the Centennial "Permanent Fund" be turned over to the Conference Treasurer of the Permanent Fund.

W. R. WHITE.

J. M. WARDEN.

Resolved, That the Conference be requested to grant Frank Fletcher a loan of one hundred dollars from the Educational Fund, for the purpose of enabling him to attend school.

J. M. WARDEN.

M. W. RIDER.

WHEREAS, Bro. L. D. King has taken a location in order to seek a place in a new field of labor, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we regret that he has felt called to sever his relation with us; that in his location the Conference has lost a faithful and efficient member, and that we do heartily commend him to the confidence and fellowship of the Conference and people with whom he may cast his lot.

H. J. BOATMAN.

J. H. HESS.

Conference Biography.

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					On Trial.	Full Connection.		Year entered West Va. Conference.	Deacon.		Elder	Located.	Superannuated.	Presiding Elder.		Effective.	Delegate to General Conference.
Allemon, C. S.	1844	Virginia		Physician	1871	1873	West Va.	1871	1873	1875	On Trial				16		Effective
Ash, D. L.	1855		19	Farmer	1878	1880	"	1878	1880		"				8		"
Baumgardner, N. L.	1842	Maryland	19		1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	"				17		"
Boatman, H. J.	1843	Indiana	25	Teacher	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	"				15		"
Bolton, J. W. W.	1834	Virginia	19	"	1857	1859	"	1857	1859	1861	"	5	3	8	23	1	"
Brooks, R.																	Superannuated
Brooks, R. L.	1810	Virginia	22	Carpenter	1846	1848	Ohio	1848	1848		By Division		29		16		Effective
Boreman, J. S.	1855		18	Farmer	1881	1883	West Va.	1881	1883	1886	On Trial				5		"
Bryan, L. D.	1856	West Va	18	"	1880	1882	"	1880	1880	1885	"				6		"
Carrico, W. D.	1822	Virginia	14	"	1866	1873	"	1866	1863	1873	"				20		"
Carroll, J. T.	1827	"	16	"	1853	1855	"	1853	1855	1873	"	17			15		Superannuated
Chenoweth, J. F.	1849	"	18	"	1871	1873	"	1871	1873	1875	"				15		Effective
Cheuvront, W. A.	1850	"	15	"	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	"				12		"
Chidester, T. W.	1848	"	20	"	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	"	5			9		"
Clark, J. L.	1814	Maryland	6	Merchant	1841	1843	Pittsburgh	1848	1843	1845	Assisted in its organization				12	44	"
Cool, D.	1837	Virginia	15	Farmer	1858	1860	West Va	1858	1860	1862	On Trial				27		"
Copeland, G. R.	1847	Ohio	16		1877	1879	"	1877	1874		"	1			8		Supernumary
Cotton, T.	1829	England	21	Merchant	1872	1874	Mississippi	1876	1872	1874	On Credentials				14		Effective
Cottrill, F.	1860	Virginia	16	Farmer	1881	1883	West Va	1881	1883		On Trial				5		"
Conner, C.	1819	Ohio	15	Carpenter	1850	1852	"	1850	1850	1852	"		6		29		Superannuated
Crosfield, G.	1821	England	18	Merchant	1849	1852	Niagara	1872	1849	1852	Transfer	2	5	2	5	1	"
Curtis, A. L.	1854	Virginia	12	Farmer	1879		West Va	1879			On Trial				5		Effective
Carder, D. F.	1851	"	16	"	1883	1885	"	1883	1885		"				3		"
Cox, C. W.	1854	"	16	Teacher	1883	1885	"	1883	1885		"				3		"
Cooper, W. H.	1849	Ohio	26	Chemist			U. B.	1883	1881		On Credentials				5		"
Cross, Levi	1836	Virginia	16	Farmer			U. B.	1884	1878		"				12		"
Darlington, B.	1819		16	Mechanic	1859	1861	West Va	1859	1858	1861	On Trial				27		"
Davis, J. T.	1837	Penn	10	Teacher	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1875	"	5			16		"
Dolliver, J. J.	1810	New York	26	Merchant	1843	1845	Ohio	1848	1845	1847	Assisted in its organization	1	5	2	38		Superannuated
Dryden, M. F.	1856	Maryland	21	Teacher	1881	1883	West Va	1881	1883		On Trial				5		Effective

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					On Trial.	Full Connection.		Deacon.	Elder		Located.	Superannuated.	Presiding Elder.	Effective.	Delegate to General Conference.	
Meredith, C. B.	1850	Virginia	23	Mechanic	1881	1883	West Va	1881	1883	On Trial				3		Effective
McGinnis, D. A.	1822	"	17	Teacher	1846	1848	Ohio	1848	1848	When organized by division		33		7		Superannuated
Mick, A.	1849	"	14	Farmer	1872	1875	West Va	1872	1875	On Trial				14		Effective
Miles, H. H.	1844	Ohio	18	Marble Cutter	1874	1877	Sciota	1881	1877	On Orders	1			11		"
Morrison, A. T.	1843	Virginia	18	Farmer	1871	1873	West Va	1871	1873	On Trial		2		13		Supernumerary
Moore, O. J.	1860	"	19	Teacher	1880	1882	"	1880	1882	"				6		Effective
Moore, A.	1861	Ohio	17	Farmer	1881	1883	"	1881	1883	"				5		"
Mays, P. C.	1850	West Va.	17	"	1882	1884	"	1882	1884	"				4		"
Norcraft, R.	1818	Maryland	14	"	1853	1855	"	1853	1853	"		9		24		Superannuated
Orwen, E. H.	1839	New York	18	Teacher	1858	1860	Oneida	1878	1860	On Credentials				18		Effective
Perry, A. D.	1848	Virginia	18	Carpenter	1874	1876	West Va	1874	1876	On Trial				13		"
Prickett, S. B. D.	1840	Georgia	17	Clerk	1867	1869	"	1867	1869	"			4	19		"
Pribble, U.	1833	Virginia	20	Teacher	1858	1860	"	1858	1860	"	14			14		"
Price, C. J.	1856	"	12	"	1877	1878	"	1877	1878	"				9		"
Poling, Cyrus	1850	West Va	22	Teacher	1877	1879	"	1877	1879	"	1	1		7		"
Rexroad, J. C.	1843	Virginia	23	Farmer	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	"				14		"
Rider, M. W.	1842	"	9	"	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	"		1		19		"
Rihelddaffer, W. G.	1846	"	17	Mechanic	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	"				13		"
Rogers, G.	1842	"	10	Farmer	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	"			3	19		"
Ryan, T. P.	1833	"	32	"	1873	1875	"	1873	1875	"				13		"
Roberts, L. W.	1852	"	15	Teacher	1879	1881	"	1879	1881	On Credentials				7		"
Rogers, B. F.	1829	"	19	Farmer	1859	1861	"	1859	1861	On Trial				15		"
Randolph, R. F.	1846	New York	10	"	1871	1873	Erie	1885	1873	"				15		"
Rohrbough, A. B.	1836	West Va	17	Farmer	1858	1860	West Va	1858	1860	Transfer				12		"
Scott, H.	1842	Virginia	23	"	1876	1877	"	1876	1876	On Trial				7		Superannuated
Shaw, W. H.	1836	"	14	"	1856	1858	"	1856	1858	"	3	5	3	18		Effective
Shackelford, C. R.	1847	Mississippi	19	"	1876	1877	"	1876	1877	"				11		"
Sharpes, W. J.	1836	Virginia	17	Teacher	1869	1871	"	1869	1871	"				17		"
Snodgrass, J. F.	1828	"	26	Farmer	1871	1873	"	1871	1866	"	2			13		"
Stevens, A.	1819	"	16	Teacher	1848	1850	"	1848	1850	"		22		16		Superannuated

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					On Trial.		Deacon.	Elder.		Located.	Superannuated.	Presiding Elder Effective.	Delegate to General Conference.	
Engle, J.	1837	Penn.	10	Bookkeeper.	1876	1878	West Va.	1876	1878	1880	On Trial			Effective
Eichelberger, J. T.	1838	Virginia		Teacher.	1872	1874		1872	1874	1878	"			"
Feather, J. B.	1833	"	17	Farmer	1854	1856	West Va.	1854	1856	1858	"	1	10	"
Ford, F. G. W.	1833	"	20	"	1874	1876	"	1874	1871	1877	"			"
Fullerton, J. A.	1850	Ireland	17	"	1872	1874	Central Pa.	1872	1872	1875	Transfer			"
Faulkner, T. R.	1844	Kentucky	17	Farmer	1871	1873	"	1871	1873	1875	On Trial			"
Friend, D. A.	1847	Maryland	18	Teacher.	1882	1884	West Va.	1882	1883	1886	"			"
Graham, C. B.	1850	Virginia	19	Merchant	1879		"	1879			"			"
Grimes, G. W.	1854	Ohio	22	Teacher.	1881	1883	"	1881	1883		"			"
Grose, J. M.	1857	Virginia	19	Merchant	1881	1883	"	1881	1883		"			"
Galway, T. E.	1851	Penn.	31	R. R. Cond'r	1883	1885	West Va.	1883	1885		"			"
Hammond, D. S.	1850	Virginia	23	Farmer	1876	1878	"	1876	1878	1880	"			"
Hess, J. H.	1851	Maryland	16	Blacksmith.	1875	1877	"	1875	1877	1878	"			"
Hess, J. W.	1853	Virginia	21	Farmer	1869	1871	"	1869	1871	1873	"	3	15	"
Hitchens, S.	1840	England.	12	"	1860	1862	"	1860	1862	1864	"	10	15	Supernumerary
Hite, G. E.	1851	Virginia	19	Teacher.	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	"		3	Effective
Hughes, R. H.	1846	"	18	Farmer	1870	1873	"	1878	1873	1882	"		2	"
Hull, J. C.	1856	"	15	Teacher	1881	1883	S. Kansas	1885	1883	1885	Transfer		5	"
Hunter, W.	1858	"	16	Farmer	1881	1883	West Va.	1881	1883		On Trial		5	"
Hennon W. R.	1857	Penn.	13	"	1882	1884	"	1882	1884	1886	"		4	"
Jones, S. E.	1846	England	26	Teacher.	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	"		13	"
Jordan, L. H.	1836	New York	19	"	1868	1870	"	1868	1870	1872	"		18	"
Kelley, W. W.	1838	Virginia	14	"	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1870	"		20	"
King, F. H. J.	1834	"	17	Farmer	1857	1859	"	1857	1859	1861	"		4	"
Lakin, C. H.	1838	Ohio	20	"	1865	1867	"	1865	1867	1869	"		3	"
Lee, Joseph	1847	Ireland	15	Merchant	1873	1875	"	1873	1873	1876	"		14	"
Lovett, W. E.	1835	Maryland	19	Lieut. Vol. Cav.	1872	1874	"	1872	1873	1876	"		15	"
Mahone, B. D.	1849	Virginia	17	Farmer	1876	1878	"	1876	1876	1880	"		10	"
Martin, G.	1815	"	16	"	1837	1839	Pittsburgh	1848	1839	1841	When organized by division		15	"
Matheny, G. W.	1838	"	15	"	1865	1867	West Va.	1865	1867	1869	On Trial		8	Superannuated

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					On Trial.	Full Connection.		Deacon.	Elder.		Located.	Superannuated.	Presiding Elder Effective.	Delegate to General Conference.	
Stewart, L. L.	1845	Penn.	16	Farmer	1870	1872	West Va.	1870	1872	1874	On Trial		4	15	Effective
Somerville, N. M.	1860	Virginia	16	"	1881	1883	"	1881	1883	"	"	3	3		Superannuated
Skidmore, E. R.	1859	West Va.	17	Teacher	1883	1885	"	1883	1885	"	"		3		Effective
Trainer, T. H.	1820	Virginia	20	Mechanic	1853	1857	"	1853	1855	1857	"		4	33	"
Trippett, C. J.			24	Farmer	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	"		16		"
Taylor, Marion	1845	Ohio	25	Teacher			M. E. Ch., S.	1884	1872	1874	On Credentials		12		"
Upton, C. W.	1843	Virginia	18	Merchant	1871	1879	West Va.	1877	1870	1879	On Trial		10		"
Wallace, R. M.	1817	Penn.	16	Carpenter	1854		"	1854			"	3	1	33	Superannuated
Warman, C.	1844	Virginia	7	Teacher	1875	1877	"	1875	1874	1878	"		12		Effective
Warden, J. M.	1833	"	18	Farmer	1860	1863	"	1860	1863	1865	"		2	26	"
Welch, R. S.	1821	"	19	Teacher			M. P. C. W. Va.	1855	1857	1859	Rec'd from M. P. Church		32		"
Webb, J. W.	1826	"	15	"	1854	1856	West Va.	1854	1856	1858	On Trial		8	32	1
West, J. B.	1799	"	21	"	1822	1824	Baltimore	1822	1824	1826	Tr. when W. Va. was org'd				Superannuated
White, W. R.	1820	Dist. Col'a	18	Teacher	1841	1846	"	1841	1846	1848	Transfer		4		Effective
Williams, G. H.	1844	Virginia	25	Farmer	1874	1876	West Va.	1874	1876	1877	On Trial	1	12		"
Williams, J. A.	1816	"	21	"	1848	1852	"	1848	1844	1848	"				Superannuated
Woodruff, E. C.	1844	Penn.	9	Teacher	1869	1871	"	1859	1871	1876	"	1	16		Effective
Ward, R. B.	1860	West Va.	16	"	1882	1884	"	1782	1884	1886	"		4		"

NOTE.—Members whose names do not appear, please send Biography to the Secretary sometime during the year.

Directory.

Supernumerary and Superannuated Preachers.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

NAMES.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CON- NECTED WITH.
G. R. Copeland	St. Albans . . .	Kanawha . .	W. Va.	St. Albans
S. R. Dawson	Ellenboro . . .	Ritchie . . .	"	Ellenboro
S. Hitchens	Morgantown . .	Monongalia .	"	Morgantown . . .
E. D. W. King	Jackson C. H . .	Jackson . . .	"	Ripley
W. G. Matton				
A. T. Morrison	Beech Hill . . .	Mason	W. Va.	Monticello
N. M. Sommerville . .	West Milford . .	Harrison . . .	"	West Milford . . .
R. L. Woodyard	Parkersburg . .	Wood	"	Valley Mills . . .

SUPERANNUATES.

NAMES.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CON- NECTED WITH.
D. S. Benedum	Cherry Camp . .	Harrison . . .	W. Va.	Cherry Camp . . .
John Birkett	Holton		Kansas	Holton
Robt. Brooks	St. Albans . . .	Kanawha . . .	W. Va.	St. Albans
R. L. Brooks	Selbyville . . .	Upshur	"	Canaan
C. Connor	Moundsville . .	Marshall . . .	"	Moundsville . . .
Geo. Crosfield	Berkley Sp'gs . .	Morgan	"	Berkley Springs . .
J. T. Carroll	Charleston . . .	Kanawha . . .	"	Coal River
J. J. Dolliver	Ft. Dodge . . .	Webster	Iowa.	Ft. Dodge
Benj. Hagar	Charleston . . .	Kanawha . . .	W. Va.	Charleston
Robt. Laughlin	Spraggs	Greene	Penna.	
L. E. Leslie	Oak Hill	Fayette	W. Va.	Fayette
G. W. Matheny	Charleston . . .	Kanawha . . .	"	
D. A. McGinnis	Mole Hill	Ritchie	"	Centreville
M. McNeel	Smithville . . .	Ritchie	"	Smithville
R. Northcraft	Ritchie C. H. . .	Ritchie	"	Harrisville
J. B. Pinchen	West Milford . .	Harrison	"	West Milford . . .
John W. Reger	Buckhannon . .	Upshur	"	Buckhannon . . .
V. Sanford	Charleston . . .	Kanawha . . .	"	Charleston
H. Scott	Malden	Kanawha . . .	"	Malden
A. Stevens	Palatine	Marion	"	Palatine
J. B. West	Sistersville . . .	Tyler	"	Sistersville
Wm. Wriston	Mossey	Fayette	"	Fayette
J. A. Williams	West Milford . .	Harrison	"	West Milford . . .
R. M. Wallace	Clarksburg . . .	Harrison	"	Clarksburg

Sessions of the W. Va. Annual Conference.

No.	YEAR.	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1	1848	July 4.	Wheeling	Hamline	Charles Cook
2	1849	October 5.	Clarksburg	Waugh	Alex. Martin
3	1850	June 5	Parkersburg	Janes	Alex. Martin
4	1851	June 4	Charleston	Morris	Alex. Martin
5	1852	June 10.	Morgantown	*Simpson	Alex. Martin
6	1853	June 8	Weston	Baker	Alex. Martin
7	1854	May 30	Fairmont	Scott	Alex. Martin
8	1855	May 31	Wheeling	Morris	Alex. Martin
9	1856	June 12.	Buckhannon	Ames	S. R. Dawson
10	1857	April 16	Moundsville	Simpson	S. R. Dawson
11	1858	April 15	Charleston	Ames	S. R. Dawson
12	1859	April 20.	Parkersburg	Morris	S. R. Dawson
13	1860	March 14.	Morgantown	Scott	S. R. Dawson
14	1861	March 13	Wheeling	Baker	Samuel Steele
15	1862	March 12	Parkersburg	Scott	Samuel Steele
16	1863	March 18	Fairmont	Morris	Alex. Martin
17	1864	March 16	Parkersburg	Morris	Alex. Martin
18	1865	March 8	Wheeling	Janes	Alex. Martin
19	1866	March 21.	Morgantown	Clark	Alex. Martin
20	1867	March 14.	Catlettsburg, Ky	Thomson	Alex. Martin
21	1868	March 11.	Moundsville	Kingsley	Samuel Steele
22	1869	March 11	Clarksburg	Ames	Alex. Martin
23	1870	March 10.	Charleston	Thomson	J. L. Clark
24	1871	March 9	Parkersburg	Clark	J. L. Clark
25	1872	March 6	Wheeling	Simpson	J. L. Clark
26	1873	March 5	Guyandotte	Andrews	J. L. Clark
27	1874	March 11.	Fairmont	Scott	J. L. Clark
28	1875	March 3	Point Pleasant	Bowman	J. L. Clark
29	1876	March 15.	Wheeling	Harris	J. L. Clark
30	1877	March 11.	Grafton	Ames	J. L. Clark
31	1877	October 4.	Charleston	Scott	J. L. Clark
32	1878	October 10.	Parkersburg	Harris	Geo. C. Wilding
33	1879	October 1.	Morgantown	Simpson	Geo. C. Wilding
34	1880	October 14.	Huntington	Peck	Geo. C. Wilding
35	1881	October 5.	Moundsville	Foster	Geo. C. Wilding
36	1882	October 4.	Clarksburg	Andrews	Geo. C. Wilding
37	1883	October 10.	Wheeling	Harris	Geo. C. Wilding
38	1884	October 1	Buckhannon	Walden	Geo. C. Wilding
39	1885	Sept. 24	Charleston	Merrill	W. G. Riheldaffer
40	1886	Sept. 23	Morgantown	Mallalieu	W. G. Riheldaffer

*This was the first Conference held by Bishop Simpson.

Widows who are Conference Claimants.

No.	NAMES.	POST-OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
1	S. Burns	Troy	Miami	Ohio
2	Marie L. Battelle	Covington	Kenton	Kentucky
3	Ellen Irwin	Fairmont	Marion	West Virginia
4	Sarah F. Blundon	Charleston	Kanawha.	"
5	Eliza J. Richmond	Dallas	Marshall	"
6	Selina Monroe	Point Pleasant	Mason	"
7	Laura Hetherly	Round Bottom	Wayne	"
8	Sidney Weaver	Bridgeton		New Jersey
9	Jane Parriott	Cameron	Marshall	West Virginia
10	Elnonah Young	French Creek	Upshur	"
11	Mary C. Heaston	Connotton	Harrison	Ohio
12	Sadie E. Beckley	Falls	Wayne	West Virginia
13	Mrs. J. S. Laughlin	Deer Park	Garrett	Maryland
14	Victoria Steele	Buckhannon	Cpshur	West Virginia

Roll of the Honored Dead of the West Virginia Conference.

No.	NAME.	PLACE OF DEATH.	DATE OF DEATH.	Conference Relation at Time of Death.	Age	Years Effective.
1	George Deemer	Wayne County, West Va.	October 9, 1851	Effective	28	2
2	Abraham Laughridge	Granville, " "	April 22, 1854	On Trial	32	1
3	Silas Burns	South Wheeling " "	December 25, 1854	Effective	26	3
4	William Summers	Martin's Ferry, Ohio	March 29, 1855	Supernumerary	58	20
5	Eli McLaughlin	Ripley, West Va.	April 3, 1855	On Trial	30	2
6	Alpheus Robe	Clinton Furnace, West Va.	December 4, 1855	Effective	33	2
7	Jesse Freeland	Kingwood, " "	June 6, 1856	Superannuated	40	
8	James A. Young	Near Shinnston, " "	June 17, 1857	On Trial	24	1
9	Gordon Battelle	Washington, D. C.	August 7, 1862	Effective	47	17
10	Jacob S. Patterson	Knightstown, Indiana	July 10, 1864	Superannuated	45	21
11	Paul Vandervort	Jollytown, Pennsylvania	August 26, 1865	Effective	37	10
12	William R. Carroll	Near Kingwood, West Va.	July 20, 1867	Superannuated	38	4
13	W. D. Warman	Ravenswood, " "	1868	Effective		7
14	Phillip Green	Near Lumberport, " "	January 24, 1870	Superannuated	80	44
15	Allen B. Smith	Buffalo, " "	May 19, 1870	Effective	43	6
16	John L. Irwin	Fairmont, " "	April 26, 1871	Effective	59	40
17	George Monroe	Point Pleasant, " "	August 8, 1872	Superannuated	69	25
18	Edgar B. Blundon	Burning Springs, " "	March 6, 1873	Effective	37	7
19	George W. Richmond	Wheeling, " "	March 16, 1874	Effective	41	17
20	Thomas M. Hartley	West Liberty, " "	May 3, 1875	Effective	33	11
21	Michael Dowler	Marshall County, " "	November 29, 1875	Supernumerary	70	6
22	Moses Tichenel	Rosemond, Illinois	May 23, 1876	Superannuated	70	38
23	Wilson L. Hindman	Moundsville, West Va.	March 17, 1877	Effective	56	28
24	J. G. Blair	Fairmont, " "	December 23, 1878	Effective	63	36
25	Francis M. Hughes	Cameron, " "	September 13, 1879	Effective	32	12
26	J. C. Sidebottom	Barboursville, " "	1881	Supernumerary	44	7
27	Francis Guthrie	Gallipolis, Ohio	July 7, 1881	Superannuated	80	45
28	S. D. Jones	Williamstown, West Va.	March 1, 1881	Superannuated	75	
29	L. D. Heatherly	Round Bottom, Wayne Co., W. Va.	December 13, 1882	Superannuated	26	5
30	J. G. Weaver	Upland, Pennsylvania	May 19, 1883	Superannuated	48	20
31	G. W. Parriott	Near Cameron, West Va.	November 8, 1883	Effective	49	10
32	W. H. Young	Middlebourne, " "	May, 1884	Effective	38	14
33	David M. Heaston	Buckhannon, " "	November 11, 1884	Effective	38	8
34	Neville C. Beckley	Charleston, " "	October 16, 1885	Effective	49	16
35	John S. Laughlin	Deer Park, Maryland	March 7, 1886	Superannuated	41	14
36	Samuel Steele	Buckhannon, West Va.	May 24, 1886	Effective	62	36
37	Andrew Dixon	Near Mountain Cove, West Va.	February, 1886	Superannuated	80	53

" They rest from their Labors, and their Works do follow them."

Progressive Growth of the West Virginia Conference.

YEARS.	No. of Members of the Conference and on trial.	No. of Church Members and Probationers.	Number of Churches.	Value of Churches.	Number of Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Missionary Collections.	For Conference Claimants.	For Church Extension.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Ministerial Support.	Average Salary Paid Preachers.
2d Session, October, 1849	53	14278					143	1151	5064	\$ 663	\$ 92			\$ 5030	\$110
3d " June, 1850	57	14201								811	96			5145	138
4th " June, 1851	64	15191								1011	134			9690	167
5th " June, 1852	72	16780								1962	129			13787	181
6th " June, 1853	81	18325								1694	190			15854	217
7th " May, 1854	89	18600					222	2190	9070	2455	192			18542	223
8th " May, 1855	84	19249								1858	144			19795	230
9th " June, 1856	86	19074								2458	140			20843	270
10th " April, 1857	89	19426					202	1949	9190		143				
11th " April, 1858	100	21500	244	\$153650	27	\$14390	214	2031	9368		162			20883	257
12th " April, 1859	101	22288	282	171751	28	15103	256	2162	11833	2039	187			21544	256
13th " March, 1860	100	22551	286	183270	29	14308	275	2520	11533	1735	167			22799	227
14th " March, 1861	94	21985	290	177495	28	13875	259	2598	11241	1348	99			24048	258
15th " March, 1862	85	16750	229	162475	22	13000	137	1308	6276	1220	69			14371	205
16th " March, 1863	84	14122	219	157060	26	14225	154	1517	7080	2394	133			17284	270
17th " March, 1864	84	15207	220	175510	26	13975	175	1824	8747	3571	34			19063	340
18th " March, 1865	92	14955	214	195000	27	20800	189	1808	9223	3595	968			24395	406
19th " March, 1866	86	20513	252	206000	28	26855	225	2211	11600	4100	891			29294	406
20th " March, 1867	89	27004	253	234925	33	18180	306	2876	16321	2507	584			39972	487
21st " March, 1868	99	28201	280	362225	32	36050	389	3450	18162	2828	918			48897	474
22d " March, 1869	101	25288	280	350035	33	41190	379	3679	18532	3027	805	\$ 27		47343	557
23d " March, 1870	104	28111	293	386630	35	47850	357	3256	17801	3204	905	50	\$ 51	47807	556
24th " March, 1871	122	28332	316	398350	35	48850	369	3393	18871	3207	841	69		57184	530
25th " March, 1872	135	29115	336	451988	34	49795	383	3515	18523	3344	921	427	43	61122	541
26th " March, 1873	145	27167	336	474950	36	46525	384	3357	18183	3135	726	193	35	66164	537
27th " March, 1874	160	28855	365	530825	43	48600	355	3451	18959	3395	816	186	81	60312	511
28th " March, 1875	159	31413	365	543155	49	62300	428	3874	21112	3659	1021	218	101	70723	561
29th " March, 1876	149	34178	377	579575	52	64550	469	3977	22985	3322	969	197	105	69698	580
30th " March, 1877	150	33338	369	492750	50	65300	473	3743	22350	3527	765	169	89	61598	513
31st " *October, 1877	155	30819	373	555500	54	97040	458	3873	23446	1992	642	176	153	28897	229
32d " October, 1878	155	32717	374	561750	56	60270	446	3904	22251	2367	827	234	209	55890	437
33d " October, 1879	157	32157	384	515450	57	60850	461	3920	24778	2519	994	221	173	53390	430
34th " October, 1880	153	33330	394	551310	59	59350	486	4661	26125	2779	1090	281	201	57590	504
35th " October, 1881	156	33067	414	575250	61	70276	486	4229	26143	3026	1532	301	211	60540	438
36th " October, 1882	163	34051	417	573630	63	74070	450	4066	22221	3314	1878	319	283	63323	453
37th " October, 1883	169	34325	437	578000	66	88775	498	4452	26768	3585	1930	319	263	63594	430
38th " October, 1884	166	34640	445	615418	70	81075	515	4643	27767	3368	1825	300	255	66291	459
39th " Sept., 1885	162	35530	452	631335	74	85175	507	4546	27882	3199	1559	309	272	62924	425
40th " Sept., 1886	164	38091	454	645840	73	84730	523	4571	28619	3531	1833	323	292	68048	423

N. B.—This Conference year embraced but six months, the time of meeting being changed from Spring to Fall.



Statistical.



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Buckhannon, Charleston and Clarksburg Districts.

[Table No. 1.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISM.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property.	Present indebtedness on Church property.	Current expenses, (sexton, light, fuel, etc.)
Buckhannon District.														
Belington.	36	534	1	4	3	35	6	3400			600			100
Beverly		289	4	1	1	10	4	2500	1	1000	10			25
Buckhannon Station	2	159	1				1	7000					500	
Buckhannon Circuit	7	493	1	2		10	8	7000	1	900				200
Canaan	26	434	1	5	5	9	8	1300						45
Freemansburg	4	332	3	3	1	5	7	5340	1	900	300		325	
Frenchton	15	329	2	4	5	12	6	4300	1	1000			80	85
Glady	6	240			11	11	3	700						
Glenville	6	190	1	2		10	2	500						
Philippi	20	541	1	4	5	41	7	8500	1	1000	700			120
South Buckhannon	15	565	2	3	2	44	8	4600				180		
Sutton	8	394	2	5	7	12	6	5750	1	500	1400	275	500	40
Troy	14	274	1	2	6	32	6	4400	1	800	200		200	
Webster	16	150		2		2	1	600						7
Weston	2	118		2		2	1	2500	1	2500	55			60
	167	5033	20	39	46	235	74	58390	8	8600	3265	455	1605	682
Charleston District.														
Charleston	23	177	2	6			1	12000					2300	\$250
Charleston Circuit	143	183	1	3	1	65	2	1600	1	400				12
Clifton and Mason	12	260		3	13	9	3	7300	1	500	10		550	100
East Charleston	34	319	5	2	17	32	2	1100	1	200				
Hartford City	7	210	1	2		7	2	2800	1	700	400		50	50
Letart and Leon	21	212	4	2	2	5	5	3000						40
Malden	77	195	1	2	3	20	2	3000	1	800	173			25
Mill Creek	20	100	2	1										
Point Pleasant	9	110		1	9	5	2	3750	2	2400	80		2600	41
Raymond City	1	82	1		2									
Ravenswood	13	324		3	6	24	4	4000	1	1200	1			125
Ripley	35	107	1			15	3	800						
Sandyville	7	300	1		27	17	1	400			200		350	
Spencer	60	367	3	1		12	6	6100			1000			
Walton	59	198	1	5		3								
	521	3154	23	31	80	201	33	45850	8	6200	1864		5850	643
Clarksburg District.														
Bridgeport	20	270	1	2		6	6	5000						50
Cherry Camp	8	236	2	2		5	5	3000	1	500		2		25
Clarksburg		201	1	3	2	7	1	11000	1	1800				1
Fairmont	16	175			6	10	1	6000	1	1500	50	60	65	125
Logansport	23	303	1	4		12	5	3000	1	500	11	130	320	25
Lumberport	14	362	2	4		31	6	2000	1	500		12		100
Mannington	4	350	4	5		17	5	9000	1	1200	500	200	1000	150
Marion	4	228	2	5		3	6	6000	1	1000	10			20
Pine Grove		293	4	2	4	4	5	2000			125			15
Pruntytown		250	1	5	5	7	4	8100	1	1800	100	12	4	60
Smithton	8	286	1	1		8	3	3500	1	500	20	64		
Salem	2	115	2			4	1	800						25
West Milford	16	269	1	2	2	20	4	3000	1	600				50
Wilsonburg	35	352	1	4		24	8	6500	1	500		26	154	85
Worthington		146	2	2	1		4	2000						
Quiet Dell	49	248	1	2	5	24	4	3100						25
	199	4084	26	43	25	182	68	74000	11	10400	816	506	1543	856

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West Virginia Conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.									WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COLLECTIONS.		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.	
No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, Presiding Elder, and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.
			From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.										
8	56	450	5	6	11	1	1	1	1	1	1			472	2
5	30	300	5		5									323	1
1	20	114	13	12	25	2	3	1	4		1	10		805	9
7	60	292	21		21	1	1	1	2	3	2			606	5
7	48	399	6	6	12	1	1	1	1	1	1			331	5
7	52	365	25	15	40	4			5					368	15
6	72	357	22	3	25	2	1	2	1	1	2	1		583	9
3	27	110	4		4	1								224	2
3	25	135	7		7									262	4
10	85	460	26		26	2	1	1	2	16	1			606	10
8	51	440	30	20	50					11				592	25
3	24	105	14	1	15	1			2	1	5			590	7
6	32	28	10		10									469	3
3	20	115	5		5	1			2					217	3
1	10	100	23	2	25	1				5	1			728	9
78	612	3770	216	65	281	17	8	7	20	39	14	11		7176	109
1	21	200	11	32	43	8	1	1	5	7	9			1186	16
5	53	280	11	3	14	1	1	1	1	1	1			443	3
2	40	220	9	2	11	1	1	1	1	5	1			616	6
8	75	216	10	2	12	2								364	6
2	32	250	3	6	9				1	2				455	4
5	45	200	3	1	4									352	1
3	15	140	4		4						3			343	1
														77	
2	18	109	3	7	10	2			2	2	3			590	5
3	12	80												706	
8	50	350	13	2	15	1	1	1	1	4				714	9
3	24	105	5		5	1								213	1
6	60	360		8	8									297	
6	40	340	5		5					1				438	3
3	20	90												282	1
57	505	2940	77	63	140	16	3	4	11	22	17			7076	56
5	30	250	10	5	15	1	1		1		1			450	10
6	50	298	10	1	11	1	1	1	4	2	1			360	5
1	16	174	30	20	50	6	1	1	6	5	1	1		681	25
1	16	125	20	15	35	1	1	1	1	10	5			662	15
6	60	247	1	3	4	1			1					329	2
6	60	200	42		42	2	2	3	5	6	3			444	5
5	50	325	15	2	17	1				1				556	2
4	28	100	5		5									248	2
6	49	313	5	2	7									273	2
3	25	200	11		11									665	
5	50	205	5		5									263	2
1	8	45	8	2	10	2		1	2		2			341	7
4	49	316	25	12	37	5	1	1	5	4	2			643	15
8	68	375	12	6	18	1			1					486	8
1	5	27	3		3									177	3
3	30	120	46	4	50	4	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	540	15
65	594	3320	248	72	320	25	8	9	28	30	16	2	1	7118	118

Guyandotte, Morgantown and New River Districts.

[Table No. 1.]

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISM.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers	No. of Full Members	No. of Local Preachers	No. of Deaths	No. of Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches	Probable Value	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property	Present indebtedness on Church property	Current expenses, (sexton, light, fuel, etc.)
Guyandotte District.														
Barboursville	59	127	1			28	3	3500						10
Cassville	80	227	1	3	12	41	3	600						
Ceredo	55	139	1	2		20	2	2500			252	60		50
Coal River		100	1				2	300						
East Hamline	31	97		3		11	2	150						
Fairfield	5	69		3	4	2	1	2100	1	500	125		500	25
Guyandotte	12	111		1	1		1	2000						
Hamline	66	180	6	7	2	5	3	1350	1	350	42		33	7
Huntington	15	221			11	10	1	3000	1	2000	50	50	600	200
Laurel	20	21	1				1	300						
Monticello	62	265	1	4		21	3	1300						
St. Albans	10	65	2			9	2	700			70	52		10
Wayne	45	294	4	5	1	11	4	3500	1	350			250	
Windfield	8	125	1				4	3000	1	360				
	468	2041	19	28	31	158	32	24300	5	3560	539	162	1383	302
Morgantown District.														
Arnettsville	10	410	2	6	2	40	6	2600						20
Blacksville	2	386	2	4		12	4	5000						40
Burton	44	190	6	2	1	32	1	475			25			
Grafton	20	377		2	3	6	1	15500		1500	150		280	220
Halleck	10	353		2		65	6	5100	1	200			30	50
Jollytown	40	395	3	2	2	70	8	8000	1	400	100	40		100
Kingwood	32	184				27	2	11500	1	2500	40			150
Knottsville	5	317		7		10	5	6000	1	400	125		125	15
Masontown	31	319	3			33	6	6950	1	800				127
Monongalia	4	294	4	4		29	6	2800						
Morgantown	23	302	2	1	20	64	1	10000	1	1200	200			200
Morgantown Circuit	5	360	1	3	2	12	5	4000					30	40
Palatine		541	2	5		73	8	8700	1	600			150	80
	226	4428	25	38	30	473	59	86625	8	7600	640	40	615	1042
New River District.														
Boone	10	150	1	1		7	1	100						
Clay	26	90	1	2		2		900			200	10	132	
Concord	14	130				7	1	700						
Elk River	62	371	5	4	10	18								
Fayette	21	169	3	1	2	20	4	1500	1	400			244	
Flat Top	45	167	6			5								
Hinchman's	23	150	2			4								
Logan		62												
Mountain Cove	12	223	5	5	2	10	2	2100	1	6000				
Nicholas	15	378		5		3	5	3600	1	300		300		10
Ophelia	33	194		1		5	4	2350						
Oceana	119	179	5	1		5								
Pleasant Retreat	60	404	9	6	11	16	2	1200	1	200	30		100	
Quinnimont & Hinton		51												
Raleigh		359					2	1500						
	440	3077	37	26	25	102	21	13950	4	1500	230	310	476	10

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No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, Presiding Elder, and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	
			From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.											
3	12	100	1	2	3						1			155	1	
5	43	200									1			252		
2	22	90	4		4						3			436	1	
1	3	30												81		
														38		
1	6	30	2	1	3									485	2	
1			4		4									191	2	
1	5	73	3		3										2	
1	23	125	22	20	42	5	2	2	2	7	8	42		834	17	
														30		
7	28	217	4		4									210	3	
2	14	85	2		2									191	1	
4	32	200	5	2	7						1			313	3	
1	20	200												460		
29	208	1350	47	25	72	5	2	2	2	7	14	42		3676	32	
4	35	200	10		10							1		518	2	
4	40	300	12	10	22	2	1		2					466	10	
7	65	324	23		13	1								368		
1	22	207	52	31	83	5	2	2	1	12	10			1149	10	
6	71	500	10		10									433		
11	70	440	15	5	20	2			1					592	5	
2	28	210	68		68	10			10	6	28	70		786	30	
5	44	209	6	6	12	1			1	1		7		572	5	
5	53	360	16	4	20	5	1	1	5	12	1			699	10	
5	47	342	30	5	35	1	1	1	1		1	10		524	14	
1	20	175	53	27	80	10	1	1	10	18	22	33		1001	45	
5	46	280	8	4	12	2	1	1	1	1				534	4	
6	67	450	5	2	7	1			1		2	1		597	5	
62	608	3997	230	162	392	40	7	5	33	50	64	122		8239	140	
1	6	30	1		1									111	1	
			3		3				1					150	1	
9	62	382	9	1	10	1								223	1	
3	20	80	5	2	7									387	3	
			1		1									292	6	
1	7	25	3		3									124	1	
														314		
2	12	66	6	1	7	1	1		2					444	7	
4	25	150	7	1	8									400	5	
3	15	80	2		2	1								162	2	
2	8	30	2		2									167	1	
3	25	100	2	1	3	1			1					393	1	
														354		
28	180	943	42	6	48	4	1		4				1	3521	29	

Oakland, Parkersburg and Wheeling Districts.

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NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISM.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value	Paid for building and improv- ing Churches & Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property	Present indebtedness on Church property	Current expenses, (sexton, light, fuel, etc.)
Oakland District.														
Albrightsville	30	347	2	2	12	21	4	4500	1	400			33	50
Brandonville	16	481	1	2	2	22	6	8800	1	400	64			40
Cranesville	62	245		3	6	23	2							
Deer Park	37	244	3	1	7	2	3	3800				14	398	60
Evansville	43	314	1	5	22	25	5	4500	1	600	68	6	83	20
Grantsville	3	169		3	4	2	3	2500						
Hambleton	10	93	1		4	2	1	300			50			
Newburg	31	298	1	3	22	74	1	3000	1	1000	225		500	50
Oakland	12	334	2	2	9	15	2	3700	1	1500	22			160
Pleasant Grove	35	231	1	2	3	6	5	3000	1	300				20
Randolph Mission		86					1	25						
Kowlesburg	20	315	2	1	33	7	2	2700	1	550	200	200	135	40
Selby'sport & John'ston	24	416	4	2	22	19	7	5750	1	400	30	37	195	80
St. George & Aurora	35	258		3	17	6	7	3500			75			50
	358	3831	18	29	163	224	49	46075	8	5150	734	257	1344	570
Parkersburg District.														
Belleville	7	245	1	3		17	3	2400			50			75
Centerville	25	481	4	2		40	6	3150	1	600	360			
Elizabeth	25	400	2	6		81	6	6000	1	750				80
Ellenboro'	6	400	3	8	9	83	8	6000	1	570	80	105		40
Harrisville		420	2	4	6	13	6	6300	1	800				100
Middlebourne	23	305	4	6	5	25	4	3000	1	400	400		100	40
Parkersburg	2	269		8	1	1	1	45000	1	5000	400			234
Parkersburg Circuit	15	515	1	4		28	9	9900	1	1000	15	10	141	117
Pleasants	15	250	2		30	2	2	600			20			
Sistersville	9	213	2		6	10	5	6000			800	250	200	65
Shiloh	9	337	1	5	1	16	6	2200			120			45
Smithville	32	217	3	2		11	5	2500					150	50
Volcano	8	97		2			1	1000	1	300	50			25
Valley Mills	13	279	4	5	2	32	6	3000	1	350				60
West Union	46	120	1	8		4	4	5200				225	75	30
Williamstown	5	80		4		5	1	2000						40
	240	4628	30	67	30	392	73	104250	9	9770	2295	590	666	1001
Wheeling District.														
Benwood	8	121	1		16	2	2	4500				70		114
Cameron	45	255		3	5	56	2	3000	1	1600	40			82
Dallas		344		1	21	63	2	5000	1	1200	210		39	60
Greene	8	304	4	2		21	2	4000	1	200				
Fulton	5	250		1	10		2	1400					1000	
Marshall		294	3	4	8	20	4	4500	1	1500	520		175	100
Moundsville Station	30	305	1	2	1	15	1	10000	1	1000	230	250	50	300
Moundsville Circuit	5	450	1	3	12	14	6	7500			1300			
New Martinsville Sta.	19	129		1	9	23	1	3000			37			
New Martinsville Cir	54	142	1	3		16	4	3000			50		15	
Pleasant Valley	1	275	1	3	1	1	5	5000						60
Short Creek & Liberty	3	191		2	5		2	12000	1	1350	76			84
Triadelphia	3	169			12	1	1	7000	1	2500	12	35		90
Wheeling, Chapline St	23	265			22	2	1	7500	1	3000	100	100	395	226
Wheeling, Fourth St.	113	398		2	13	11	1	7000	1	12000			7492	1250
Wheeling, North St.	17	256		1	36	6	1	10000	1	1600	3500		1000	225
Wheeling Thomson ch	12	193	1	6	15	4	1	16000	1	3000			1500	467
Wheeling, Wesley ch.	17	182	1	5	30	20	1	4000						141
Wheeling, Zane St.	6	204	2	1	17	6	1	15000	1	3000	100	600	1300	250
	369	4527	16	40	233	281	45	192400	12	31950	6175	1055	12966	3449

Evansville reported \$3, Grantsville \$1, and St. George and Aurora \$1, for General Conference Delegates.

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No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, Presiding Elder, and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	
			From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.											
9	96	440	28	7	35	2	1	1	2	1	1	13	13	486	10	
8	68	385	39	2	41	3	1	1	1	15	1			492	17	
7			8	2	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		241	5	
5	35	227	39	2	41	5	2	1	5	3	2			312	8	
5	47	271	13	2	15	1	1	1	1	4				477	15	
3	26	175	7	1	8	2		1	1					302	3	
6	30	150	34		34	2	1	1	5	5	7	1		206	2	
3	38	230	47	9	56	7	1	1	7	6	18			632	15	
3	49	300	15	1	16	2	1	1	1	1	1			731	26	
6	46	336												307	2	
6	47	249												340		
4	23	250	31	5	36	1		1	1	2	2			494	5	
10	110	539	19	1	20	3	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	535	10	
6	55	240	20	7	27	2	1	1	2	1	1			614	10	
81	670	3792	308	41	349	32	10	12	27	43	35	16	14	6169	128	
6	42	220	5		5	2			1					590	5	
6	54	300	10		10									546	2	
7	49	550	2	4	6									710		
6	42	380	8		10									632	5	
6	68	370	49	6	55	3			1	2				755	20	
3	24	150	6	4	10	1			1	1	1				3	
1	24	271	230	32	262	20	3	6	20	12	10	60		1400	77	
7	72	455	8	37	46	5	1	1	5	1	1			833	20	
4	25	100	1		1									131	1	
6	37	250	22	5	27					11	3	4		602	1	
6	59	348	20	6	26	5	1	1	5	1	1			525	20	
6	46	278	5	5	10	2	2	1	1	8	1			397	3	
7	10	78	15		15	2			2					400	7	
4	84	300	5		5	1								283	1	
1	35	200	6	1	7	2			1					392	1	
4	9	75	8	4	12	3	2		3	3	1			358	10	
77	680	4325	400	106	506	46	9	9	40	39	18	64		8553	176	
1	22	175	10		10						8			670	5	
2	29	177	28	18	46	6	1	2	6	7	6			647	15	
3	30	260	20	11	31	2		1	13					613	8	
7	66		3		3				2	2				370	4	
1	11	130	9		9	3			2					316		
4	64	350	10	4	14	1			1			10		760	12	
1	38	300	52	76	128	16	1	1	16	14	10	66		1215	50	
7	55	400	22	10	32	5	1	1	1					853	5	
1	14	80	18	6	24	1	1	1	1	6	5			493	5	
5	30	220	1	1	2	1			1					190	1	
5	44	218	36	5	41	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	446	8	
2	18	76	45	3	48	10	1	1	1	1	2			815	21	
1	14	90	25	6	31	3				3		12		554	7	
1	30	225	79	36	115	20	2	2	17		10	31		1227	60	
1	35	347	308	340	648	40	15	15	45	10	30	50		2915	224	
1	30	462	15	30	45	10	2	2	10	11	10	2		1100	35	
1	30	227	53	67	120	11	3	3	10	10	9	68		1470	66	
1	30	220	18	36	54	2	2	1	2			5		749	5	
1	24	175	10	50	60	2	2	3	2	3	8	20		1080	10	
46	614	4132	747	681	1443	134	32	34	231	68	99	266	1	16483	541	

Recapitulation by Districts.

[Table No. 1.]

DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISM.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property.	Present indebtedness on Church Property.	Current expenses, (sexton, light, fuel, etc.)
Buckhannon	167	5033	20	39	46	235	74	58390	8	8600	3265	455	1605	682
Charleston	521	3144	23	31	80	209	33	45850	8	6200	1864	.....	5850	643
Clarksburg	199	4084	26	43	25	182	68	74000	11	10400	816	506	1543	756
Guyandotte	468	2041	19	28	31	158	32	24300	5	3560	539	162	1383	302
Morgantown	226	4428	25	38	30	473	59	86625	8	7600	640	40	615	1042
New River	440	3077	37	26	25	102	21	13950	4	1500	230	310	476	10
Oakland	358	3831	18	29	163	224	49	46075	8	5150	734	257	1344	570
Parkersburg	240	4628	30	67	30	392	73	104250	9	9770	2295	590	666	1001
Wheeling	365	4527	16	40	233	281	45	192400	12	31950	6275	1055	12966	3522
Totals this year	2984	34793	214	341	663	2256	454	645840	73	84730	16658	3375	26448	8528
Totals last year	2387	32928	225	402	698	1639	452	631385	74	85175	18802	3347	27393	8078
Increase	597	1865				617	2	14455						450
Decrease			11	54	35				1	445	2144	472	945	



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			From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.										
78	612	3770	216	65	281	17	8	7	20	39	14	11		7176	109
57	505	2940	77	63	140	16	3	4	11	22	17			7076	56
65	594	3320	248	72	320	25	8	9	28	30	16	2	1	7118	118
29	208	1350	47	25	72	5	2	2	2	7	14	42		3676	32
62	608	3997	230	162	392	40	7	5	33	50	64	122		8239	140
28	180	943	42	6	48	4	1		4				1	3521	29
81	670	3792	308	41	349	32	10	12	27	43	35	16	14	6169	128
77	680	4325	400	106	506	46	9	9	40	39	18	64		8553	176
46	514	4182	747	681	1428	135	32	34	128	81	92	254	21	16520	541
523	4571	28619	2315	1221	3536	320	80	82	293	311	275	511	37	68048	1329
507	4546	27882	2071	1123	3199	309	81	82	272	334	309	532	273	62924	1220
16	25	737	244	98	337	11	1		21	23	39	21	236	5124	109



Buckhannon, Charleston and Clarksburg Districts. [Table No. 2.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								
		PASTORS.		PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.		
		Claims, including House Rent or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.
Buckhannon District.										
Belington	W. E. Lovett	500	410	90	60	60	5	2	20	2
Beverly	F. Cottrill	440	341	99	60	60	2	2	20	1
Buckhannon Station	S. Steele & J. W. Reger	700	700		100	100	7	5	25	9
Buckhannon Circuit	C. Warman	565	512	53	100	89		5		5
Capaan	C. W. Cox	350	280	70	50	50	6	1	20	5
Freemansburg	S. D. Tamblin	380	334	46	60	60	6	5	20	15
Frenchton	C. W. Upton	550	439	111	90	90	8	4	30	9
Glady	E. R. Skidmore	200	183	17	40	40	3	1	5	2
Glenville	N. H. Prince	305	210	95	50	50	3	2	10	4
Philippi	C. B. Graham	620	527	93	75	75	8	4	25	10
South Buckhannon	Cyrus Poling	575	525	50	70	67	6	1	25	25
Sutton	George H. Williams	550	514	36	75	75	7	2	25	7
Troy	C. B. Meredith	551	446	105	70	70	5	3	25	3
Webster	B. B. Brooks	200	170	30	45	45	4	2	10	3
Weston	D. L. Ash	725	675	50	55	52	4	2	20	9
		7211	6266	945	1000	983	74	41	280	109
Charleston District.										
Charleston	A. J. Lyda	1100	1100		80	80	6	6	18	16
Charleston Circuit	T. P. Ryan	400	375	25	65	65	8	3	10	3
Clifton and Mason	Geo. W. Kepler	600	554	46	65	60	5	2	6	6
East Charleston	J. S. Jenkins	362	312	50	60	60	4	4	8	6
Hartford City	T. E. Galway	550	476	74	60	53	6	1	6	4
Letart and Leon	G. W. Marston	410	293	117	65	59			8	1
Malden	A. Moore	600	291	309	65	52	6			1
Mill Creek	W. W. Atkinson	50	50		50	26				
Point Pleasant	R. B. Ward	590	453	137	60	58	5	5	5	5
Raymond City	Frank Fleicker	100	56	44	50	50				
Ravenswood	U. Pribble	700	629	71	80	80	6	5	18	9
Ripley	E. D. W. King	250	168	82	50	44		1		1
Sandyville	J. M. Grose	400	256	144	50	41				
Spencer	C. R. Shackelford	650	394	256	80	78		2		3
Walton	J. J. White	250	226	24	60	56				
		7012	5633	1379	940	862	46	29	79	55
Clarksburg District.										
Bridgeport	Gideon Martin	400	380	20	65	65	6	5	15	10
Cherry Camp	M. Taylor	450	305	145	50	50	5	5	20	5
Clarksburg	L. D. King	800	800		75	75	6	6	25	25
Fairmont	A. B. Rohrbough	600	600		60	60	6	2	28	15
Logansport	T. Richmond	400	324	76	55	43	5	2	15	2
Lumberport	A. S. Loveall	525	424	101	65	65	6	6	20	5
Mannington	C. J. Trippett	575	475	100	84	80		1		2
Marion	W. D. Carrico	430	231	199	80	45	6	2	30	3
Pine Grove	E. C. Woodruff	340	240	100	44	32		1		2
Pruntytown	J. Wesley Webb	600	600		65	65				
Smithton	B. F. Rogers	436	219	217	48	42	5	2	12	2
Salem	Jas. P. McCormick	300	300		38	38	3	3	10	7
West Milford	Henry J. Boatman	575	575		65	65		3		15
Wilsonburg	B. D. Mahone	585	468	117	60	60	6	5	22	8
Worthington	W. R. White	385	140	245	44	36	4		10	3
Quiet Dell	G. Rogers	475	475		60	60	6	5	30	15
		7876	6556	1320	958	881	64	48	237	119

Table No. 2.]

Guyandotte, Morgantown and New River Districts,

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								
NAMES OF CHARGES.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	PASTORS.			PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.	
		Claims, including House Rent or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.
Guyandotte District.										
Barboursville.	C. E. Shaw	200	126	74	36	29		1		1
Cassville	C. W. Myers	275	228	47	36	24				
Ceredo	W. A. Cheuvront.	400	400		36	36				
Coal River					25	20				
East Hamlin	J. A. Chalfant	75	34	41	16	4				
Fairfields	W. H. Shaw	500	434	66	52	49	5	2	20	2
Guyandotte	Wm. Rader	175	140	35	50	50	4	1	15	2
Hamlin	J. T. Davis	300	202	98	48	28	4		15	2
Huntington	L. H. Jordon	950	850	100	80	80		4		16
Laurel	David R. Johnson		18		25	12	2			
Monticello	J. L. Moses	225	175	50	52	34	4	1	15	3
St. Albans	Geo. C. Shaw	300	160	140	30	30		1	6	1
Wayne	B. Darlington	450	270	179	60	40		2		3
Winfield	S. C. Loomis	400	265	135	60	23				
Morgantown District.		4250	3302	965	606	459	19	12	71	30
Arnettsville.	J. Conwell	450	336	114	64	64		4		2
Blacksville	T. H. Trainer	400	400		55	55	11	8		10
Burton	A. Stevens	350	330	20	36	36	4	2		
Grafton	S. B. D. Prickett	1050	1050		94	94	10	5	45	10
Halleck	R. S. Welch	418	375	43	54	54		5		
Jollytown	Daniel Cool	540	540		85	85	9	7	40	5
Kingwood	E. H. Orwen	700	700		65	80	11	11	30	30
Knottsville	T. W. Chidester	510	495	15	75	75	11	2	30	5
Masontown	James A. Boreman	600	625		65	69	11	5	30	10
Monongalia	J. C. Rexroad	500	450	50	65	65	11	8	35	14
Morgantown	C. Crawford	900	900		89	89	12	12	45	45
Morgantown Circuit	J. B. Feather	500	460	40	79	79	11	5	30	4
Palatine.	F. G. W. Ford	680	597	83	75	75		5		5
New River District.		7598	7258	365	901	920	101	79	285	140
Boone	G. C. Ward				50	44	3	1	3	1
Clay	Wallace P. Guinn	250	130	120	40	18		1		1
Concord	P. C. Mays	200	197	3	30	25	3	1	3	1
Elk River.	Levi Cross	374	335	39	60	60		2		3
Fayette	L. D. Bryan	275	240	35	50	51	3	1	8	6
Flat Top	W. W. Workman	240	90	150	30	34	1		5	1
Hinchmans	W. R. Hennon	400	259	141	55	55	3		9	
Logan					30	30				
Mountain Cove	W. Hunter	400	390	10	60	52	2	2	20	7
Nicholas	A. T. Morrision	625	360	265	70	66	5	1	20	5
Ophelia	John Adamson	253	162	91	50	50	3	2	8	2
Oceana	Thomas Parris	250	116	134	50	50	3	1	10	1
Pleasant Retreat	G. L. Carder	385	331	54	60	60	4	2	18	1
Quinnimont and Hinton					60	45				
Raleigh					50	50				
		3652	2610	1042	745	690	30	14	104	29

Oakland, Parkersburg and Wheeling Districts.

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		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
		PASTORS.			PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.		
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Oakland District.											
Albrightsville	D. A. Friend	480	420	60	61	61	5	5	19	10	
Brandonville	L. W. Roberts.	530	439	91	88	88	7	5	27	17	
Cranesville	D. B. Orr	200	200		40	39	2	2	7	5	
Deer Park	J. W. Bedford.	450	182		54	38					
Deer Park	H. E. Friend		87	181	54	40		2		8	
Evansville	N. L. Baumgardner	430	430		72	72	6	4	21	15	
Grantsville	S. P. Archer	240	342		56	56	4	3	18	3	
Hambleton	W. W. Burton	200	184	16	20	20	2	2	2	2	
Newburg	B. B. Evans	550	564		62	62	6	6	19	15	
Oakland	J. Engle	800	788	12	86	86	7	7	26	26	
Pleasant Grove	J. C. Kurtz	340	260	80	46	46	6	1	20	2	
Randolph Mission					30	30					
Rowlesburg	A. D. Perry	460	430	30	60	60	4	4		5	
Selbysport and Johtown	A. S. Arnett.	500	465	35	64	66	6	4	19	10	
St. George and Aurora.	W. P. Weekley	500	450	50	61	59	6	5	19	10	
		5680	5241	555	854	823	61	50	197	128	
Parkersburg District.											
Bellville	H. H. Miles	500	511		75	75	6	4	15	5	
Centreville	D. F. Corder	500	466	34	80	80		2		2	
Elizabeth	John Norris				90	80					
Ellenboro	G. W. Grimes	685	607	78	85	85	3		15	5	
Harrisville	A. Mick	650	650		100	100		5	35	20	
Middlebourne	F. H. J. King	690	450	210	80	64	7	2	30	3	
Parkersburg	W. E. Loomis	1450	1450		180	180	20	20	90	77	
Parkersburg Circuit	W. W. Kelley	725	725		100	100	8	8	35	20	
Pleasants	J. F. Snodgrass	200	95	105	35	35	5	1	7	1	
Sistersville	N. J. Lowther	650	514	155	85	85	7	3		1	
Shiloh	W. H. Cooper	450	450		70	70	5	5	20	20	
Smithville	J. A. Dixon	500	328	172	65	65	4	4	15	3	
Volcano	C. F. Bolinger	348	398		50	50	3	3	15	7	
Valley Mills	S. Eli Jones	350	235	115	65	46	5	1	15	2	
West Union	C. E. Clark	425	325	100	65	65	5	1	10	2	
Williamstown	J. L. Clark	300	300		50	50	3	3	10	10	
		8893	7504	969	1275	1230	81	62	312	177	
Wheeling District.											
Benwood		620	635		41	33	5	2	15	5	
Cameron.	Benjamin Ison	670	586		54	54	7	7	20	15	
Dallas	C. S. Allemon	675	535	84	76	76	3	3		8	
Greene	L. D. Haines.	400	316	84	52	52	5	2		4	
Fulton	D. A. Denton	325	286	39	28	28	2	2			
Marshall	Wm. J. Sharpes.	665	630	35	89	89	12	6	60	12	
Moundsville Station	L. L. Stewart	1100	1100		99	100	15	15	50	50	
Moundsville Circuit	H. C. Sanford	800	766	34	84	82	12	5	40	5	
New Martinsville Station	D. S. Hammond	450	450		40	40	3	3	7	1	
New Martinsville Circuit	Robert Davison	300	156	144	32	31		1		1	
Pleasant Valley	A. L. Curtis	450	442	8	54	50	6	4	12	8	
Short Creek and Liberty.	J. W. W. Bolton.	725	725		74	74	16	16	70	71	
Triadelphia	Thomas Cotton	600	600		50	50	4	4	12	6	
Wheeling, Chapline St	R. C. Hull	1100	1100		106	106	21	21	60	60	
Wheeling, Fourth St	J. F. Randolph.	2600	2600		278	278	37	37	175	224	
Wheeling, North St	M. F. Dryden	1065	1065		75	75	15	16	50	35	
Wheeling, Thomson Ch.	S. E. Jones	1350	1350		100	100	21	21	66	66	
Wheeling, Wesley Ch.	Spencer King	700	700		46	46	5	3	12	5	
Wheeling, Zane St	J. H. Hess	1000	1000		70	70	14	10	50	10	
		15595	15042	568	1448	1434	203	178	699	541	

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Recapitulation by Districts.

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
- DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF PRESID- ING ELDERS.	PASTORS.			PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.		
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Buckhannon.....	W. G. Riheldaffer..	7211	6266	945	1000	983	74	41	280	109	
Charleston.....	J. M. Warden.....	7012	5633	1379	940	862	46	29	79	55	
Clarksburg.....	Joseph Lee.....	7876	6556	1320	958	881	64	48	237	119	
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New River.....	R. H. Hughes.....	3652	2610	1042	745	690	30	14	104	29	
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Wheeling.....	Geo. E. Hite.....	15595	15042	568	1448	1434	203	178	699	541	
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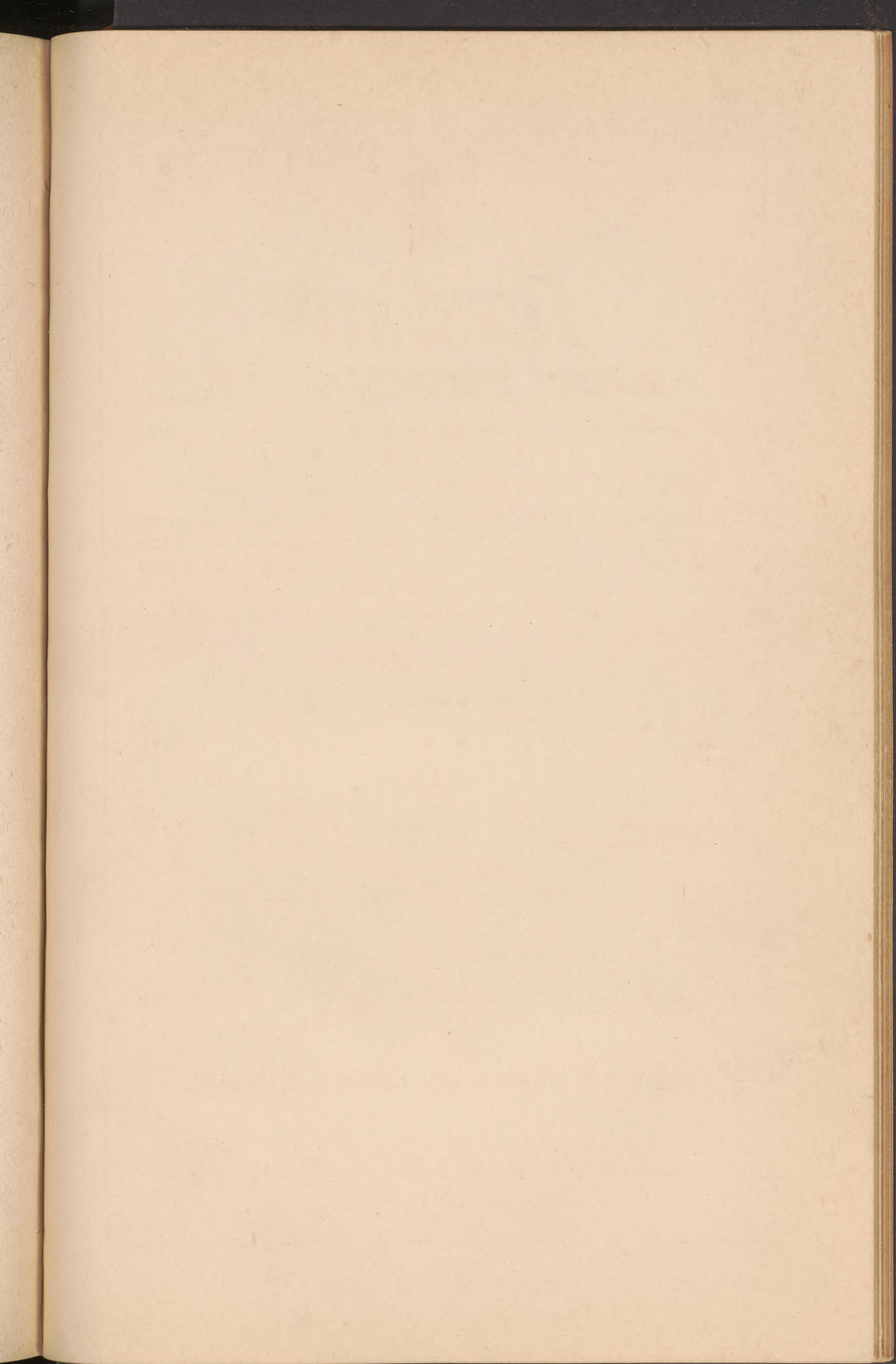
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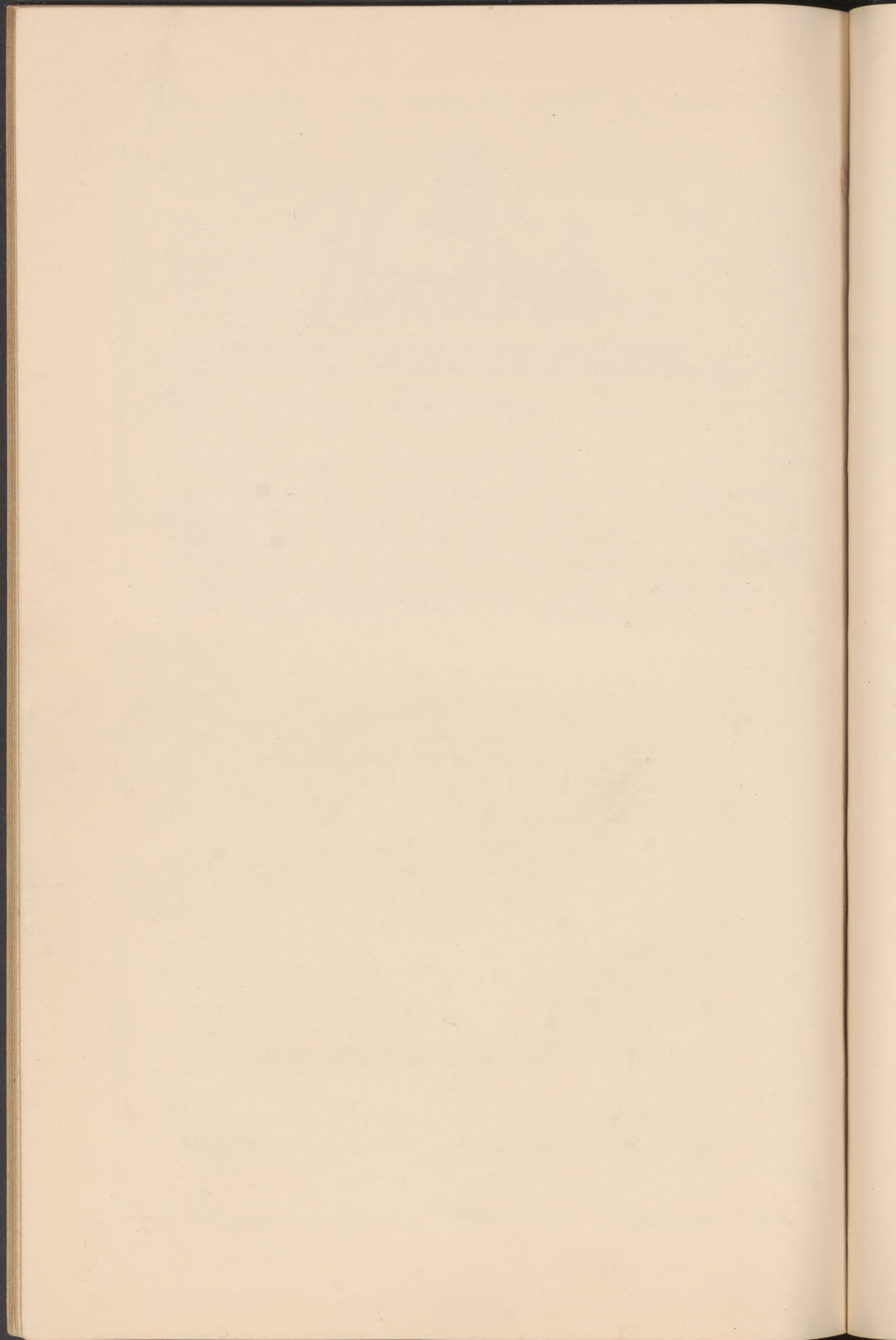
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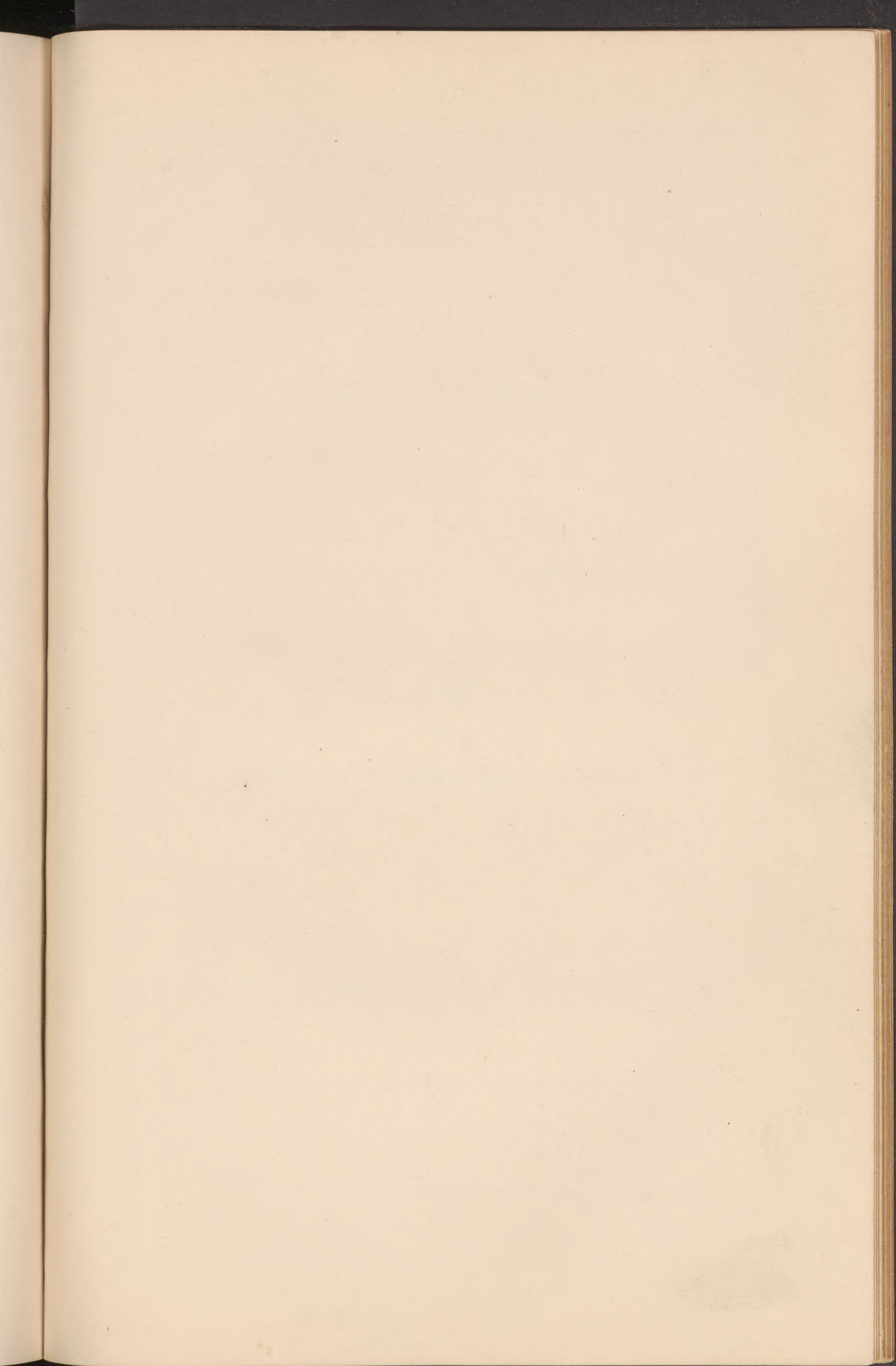
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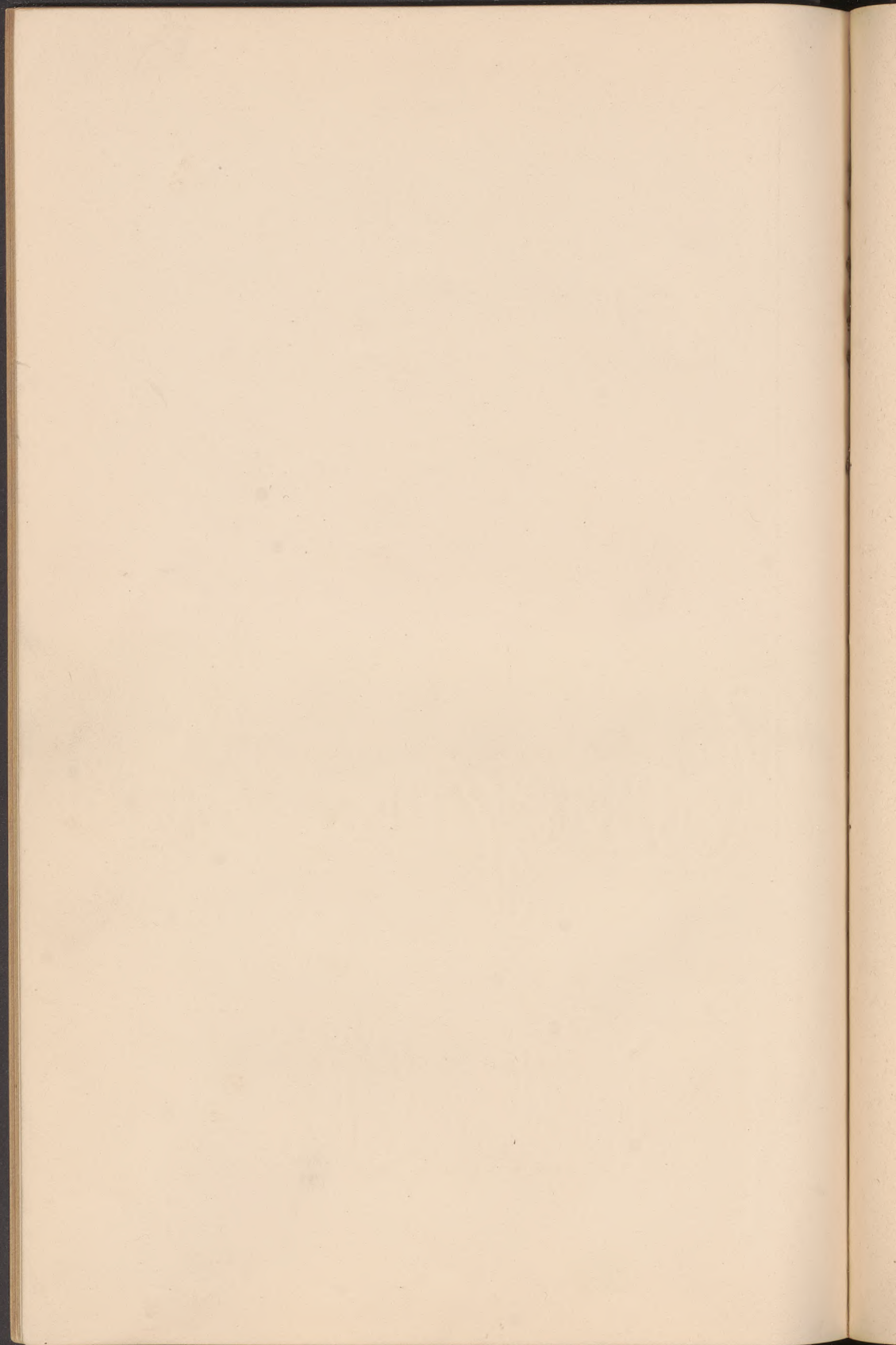
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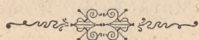
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1868.

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RESERVES.—J. L. Irwin and J. B. Blakeney.

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MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.—Alexander Martin, J. Wesley Webb,
S. Steele and G. Martin.

RESERVES.—B. Ison and D. H. K. Dix.

LAY DELEGATES.—Hon. C. D. Hubbard and Hon. W. T. Willey.

RESERVES.—Dr. T. H. Logan and Nathan Goff, Sr.

1876.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.—J. W. W. Bolton, J. M. Powell and
D. H. K. Dix.

RESERVES.—A. Hall and F. Ball.

LAY DELEGATES.—G. W. Atkinson and Hon. B. F. Martin.

RESERVES.—John J. Brown and Hon. C. F. Scott.

1880.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.—Thomas B. Hughes, John R. Thompson
and J. L. Clark.

RESERVES.—Winfield C. Snodgrass and Samuel E. Steele.

LAY DELEGATES.—Hons. W. T. Willey and H. C. McWhorter.

RESERVES.—Dr. T. H. Logan and Hon. C. F. Scott.

1884.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.—Benjamin Ison, F. H. J. King and
George C. Wilding.

RESERVES.—E. W. Ryan and William R. White.

LAY DELEGATES.—A. L. Wade and Charles F. Scott.

RESERVES.—J. C. McGrew and Frank Woods.

1888.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.—Geo. E. Hite, J. M. Warden and J.
F. Chenoweth.

RESERVES.—J. A. Fullerton and W. R. White.

LAY DELEGATES.—Hons. G. W. Atkinson and A. J. Boreman.

RESERVES.—J. C. Bardall, Esq., and Hon. H. C. McWhorter.

Conference Roll.

NOTE.—The figures before a name correspond with the same person's name in the List of Appointments, page 33:

Effective Elders.

146 Allemong, Charles S.
161 Ash, David L.
76 Baumgardner, N. L.
163 Blaisdell, H. R.
117 Bolton, J. W. W.
85 Boreman, James S.
45 Carrico, William D.
124 Carder, David F.
72 Chenoweth, Jasper F.
129 Cheuvront, Wm. A.
84 Chidester, T. W.
132 Clark, James L.
51 Conwell, John
74 Cool, Daniel
142 Cotton, Thomas
2 Cottrill, Fred.
73 Cox, C. W.
121 Cross, Levi
11 Curtis, A. L.
70 Darlington, B.
59 Davis, J. T.
96 Dixon, J. A.
159 Dryden, M. F.
148 Eichelberger, J. T.
42 Engle, Jeremiah
116 Evans, Blackburn B.
105 Faulkner, T. R.
79 Feather, Joseph B.
83 Ford, F. G. W.
112 Friend, David A.
122 Fullerton, James A.
156 Galway, T. E.
162 Graham, Christopher B.
160 Grimes, George W.
26 Griffiths, J. W.
152 Hammond, David S.
98 Hennon, Watson R.
136 Hess, John W.
155 Hess, John H.
130 Hite, George E.
87 Hughes, Robert H.
103 Hunter, Wm.
17 Ison, Benj.
143 Jones, S. Earnest
1 Jordan, Lewis H.
131 Kelly, Wm. W.
24 Kepler, Geo. W.
35 King, E. D. W.
149 King, Spencer
128 King, Francis H. J.
144 King, Wm. W.
151 Lakin, Calvin H.
39 Lee, Joseph
18 Lovett, Wm. E.
38 Lyda, Andrew J.
145 Lynch, Francis N.
56 Mahone, Bennett D.
44 Martin, Gideon
71 Marston, Geo. W.
67 Matheny, Geo. W.
102 Mays, Perry C.
8 Meredith, Clinton B.
22 Mick, Asbury
134 Miles, Henry H.
29 Moore, Archibald,
101 Nichols, Anderson A.

78 Orwen, E. H.
81 Perry, Andrew D.
15 Poling, Cyrus
13 Prince, Nathan H.
127 Price Chas. J.
75 Prickett, S. B. D.
32 Pribble, Ulysses
158 Randolph, R. F.
106 Rexroad, John C.
58 Rider, Morgan W.
137 Riheldaffer, Wm. G.
41 Rogers, Benjamin F.
55 Rogers, Gilbert
107 Roberts, Lloyd W.
19 Rohrbough, A. B.
25 Ryan, Thomas P.
65 Sanford, Henry C.
26 Shackelford, Charles R.
104 Sharpes, Wm. J.
3 Sharp, J. N.
80 Skidmore, Elijah R.
150 Stewart, Lorin L.
120 Shaw, Wm. H.
4 Tamblin, Silas D.
53 Taylor, Marion
50 Trippett, Caleb J.
77 Upton, Caleb W.
31 Ward, Richard B.
20 Warden, James M.
5 Warman, Clemmer
47 Webb, Jeremiah W.
115 Welsh, Randolph S.
14 Williams, Geo. H.
82 White, Wm. R.
46 Woodruff, Erastus C.

Effective Deacons.

113 Arnett, Amos S.
63 Archer, Sanford P.
43 Bollinger, Chas. F.
92 Carder, George F.
125 Clark, Charles E.
154 Denton, Douglas A.
7 Haines, Lorenzo D.
123 Jones, S. Eli
23 McCormick, James P.
109 Orr, Dexter B.
48 Richmond, Taylor
110 Shaw, Charles E.
60 Shaw, George C.
86 Weekly, Wm. P.

1st Year on Trial.

19½ Arnold, Stark W.
69 Cadwell, Burt C.
57 Clark, Thomas H.
139 Crummett, Simon P.
133 Fisher, George E.
52 Fletcher, Frank
89 Fugate, J. G.
95 Guinn, Wallace P.
138 Holt, Wm. J.
141 Harkness, Wm. J.
28 Lowther, Arthur W.

27 McCoy, Wm. L.
62 Ownby, Albert W.
135 Stratton, Joseph H.
33 Ward, Henson L.
9 Withers, Enoch S.
30 White, John J.

2d Year on Trial.

90 Adams, Andrew D.
16 Brooks, Benson B.
126 Coffield, Levi N.
40 Hammond, Joseph A.
111 Kelly, George M.
118 Knotts, Marcellus
99 Smith, Daniel W.
140 Smith, Warren G.
100 Ward, George E.

Supernumeraries.

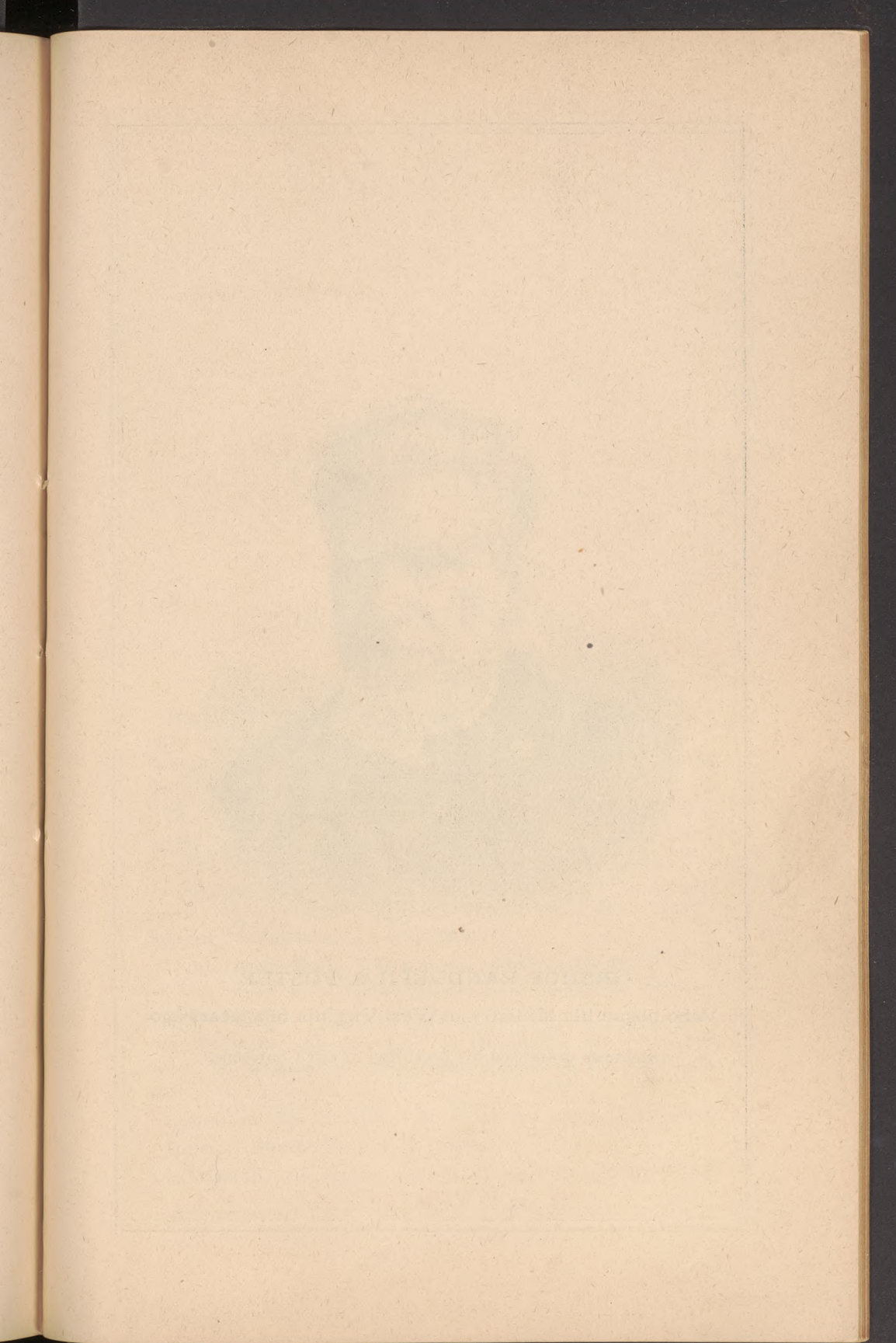
Dawson, Samuel R.
Hitchens, Samuel
Loomis, Wm. E.
Matton, W. G.
Woodyard, R. L.

Superannuates.

Benedum, D. S.
Birkitt, John
Brooks, Robert
Brooks, Richard L.
Carroll, J. T.
Crossfield, George
Dolliver, J. J.
Hagar, Benj.
Leslie, Lewis E.
McNeel, Moore
McGinnis, David A.
Northcraft, Richard
Pinchen, John B.
Rager, John W.
Sanford, Vanlinden
Scott, Hezekiah
Stevens, Asby
Trainer, Thomas H.
Wallace, Richard M.
West, John B.
Wriston, William
Williams, John A.

Summary of Roll.

In Full Connection and Entitled to Vote.....	
Effective Elders.....	101
Effective Deacons.....	14
Supernumeraries.....	5
Superannuates.....	22
Total.....	142
On Trial, { First Year.....	17
{ Second Year.....	9
Grand Total.....	168



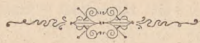


BISHOP RANDOLPH S. FOSTER

Who began his Ministry in West Virginia fifty years ago.

Sickness prevented his presiding at our Conference.

JOURNAL.



First Day.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Oct. 5, 1887.

The West Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church commenced its Forty-first Session in the M. E. Church, at Parkersburg, Oct. 5th at 9 o'clock, A. M. Bishop Thomas Bowman, D. D., LL. D. in the chair.

Devotional Services.—The devotional services were conducted by Dr. J. L. Clark, who read the 103 Psalm, announced the 785, Hymn, "Jesus united by thy grace, &c." and after the singing, led in prayer. The Invitation of the Sacramental Service was read by the Bishop, and the Sacrament of the **Lord's Supper** administered to a large number.

Conference Roll.—The roll was called by the Secretary of the last Session and one hundred and fifteen members answered to their names.

Secretaries.—On motion, W. G. Ribeldaffer was elected Secretary, by acclamation with power to nominate his assistants; and on his nomination the following were elected:

Assistant Secretaries.—M. F. Dryden and S. D. Tamblyn.

Journal Secretary.—E. H. Orwen.

Statistical Secretary.—S. E. Jones was nominated and

elected Statistical Secretary with power to appoint his assistants; and he appointed.

Assistants.—J. H. Hess, D. L. Ash and C. B. Graham.

Railroad Secretary.—J. B. Feather.

Standing Committees.—The Presiding Elders nominated the following Standing Committees, and they were elected. [See list.]

Time of Opening and Closing the Daily Sessions.—On motion of J. A. Fullerton, it was ordered that the daily sessions of the Conference begin at 9 o'clock, A. M., and adjourn at 11:45, to be preceded by a Conference prayer meeting commencing at 8:30 A. M.

Conference Bar.—On Motion the Bar of the Conference was fixed at the back part of the middle window.

Special Session.—On motion of J. L. Clark, a Special Session of Conference, was ordered at 2 o'clock P. M., for receiving statistics and benevolent collections.

Several papers were at this point referred to the appropriate committees.

Twentieth Question.—The twentieth question, "Was the character of each preacher examined," was taken up, and Charleston District called.

Introductions.—At this point Dr. Hartzell, of the Freedmens' Aid Society, B. C. Johnson, of the M. E. Book concern at Cincinnati, Dr. J. W. Carter, pastor of Baptist Church, Rev. J. M. Carter of the M. E. Church South, Rev. Henry Rumer of the Presbyterian Church and Dr. Monroe, of the Ohio Conference were introduced.

Charleston District.—J. M. Warden, Presiding Elder of Charleston District, then reported the work; five hundred conversions during the year, most of whom were received into full connection with the church. Benevolent collections better than last year. Two churches dedicated free of debt, and two others nearly ready for dedication, and others repaired.

The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed each reporting his collections: A. J. Lyda, T. P. Ryan, J. W. Griffiths, A. Moore, R. B. Ward, U. Pribble, C. R. Shackelford.

Clarksburg District.—J. Lee, Presiding Elder of Clarksburg District, proceeded after the passage of his character, to re-

port the work of his District. Pastors abundant in labors. About five hundred conversions during the year. Two churches dedicated and others repaired. Benevolent collections better than last year.

The following Effective Elders were called, their characters passed, and they reported their collections: J. Engle, G. Martin, B. F. Rogers, C. J. Trippett, G. Rogers, M. Taylor, A. B. Rohrbough, B. D. Mahone.

Guyandotte District.—M. W. Rider, Presiding Elder, was called, his character passed and he proceeded to represent his district. Revivals in every charge with one exception. One church built; one church destroyed by fire; other churches in process of building, and one parsonage built. Benevolent collections in advance of last year.

The following Effective Elders upon the passage of their characters reported their collections: J. T. Davis, W. A. Chevront, Samuel E. Jones and B. Darlington.

At this point, Dr. Hartzell addressed the Conference in the interest of the Freedmens' Aid Society.

Chartered Fund and Book Concern Monies.—The Bishop announced that the Conference was authorized to draw on the Book Concern for \$270, and on the Chartered Fund for \$30. The Conference requested him to sign the drafts.

On motion, C. R. Shackelford was appointed to take the place of J. W. Webb on the Committee to examine candidates for admission on trial.

Announcements.—On motion of J. A. Fullerton, S. B. D. Prickett was appointed to collect New York Book Accounts.

Committees were then called and announcements made.

A J. Lyda was appointed by the Bishop to preside at the afternoon session, and Dr. G. Martin to conduct the Devotional Services to-morrow morning at 8:30.

The Doxology was then sung, and the Benediction pronounced by the Bishop.

Afternoon Session.

Conference met as per appointment with A. J. Lyda, D. D. in the chair, who conducted the devotional services.

The order of the day, the collection of Statistics and Benevolent Collections was taken up. J. H. Hess, was appointed to

receive Statistics. U. Pribble to receive monies to be disbursed by the stewards, and all other collections were received by the Conference Treasurer, J. L. Clark.

The Secretary called the roll, and each pastor present came forward and made his report. There being no other business, the Conference adjourned.

Second Day.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Oct 6, 1887.

Devotional Services.—The Conference prayer meeting began at 8:30, A. M. conducted by Dr. G. Martin who announced the 2nd Hymn and then led in prayer.

The Conference was called to order by the Bishop promptly at 9 A. M.

Reading the Minutes.—The Secretary read the minutes of the previous day which were corrected and approved.

Papers Referred.—At this point various papers were referred to the appropriate Committees.

Twentieth Question.—The twentieth question was resumed and the name of J. W. Webb of Clarksburg District was called his character passed and he reported his collections.

Morgantown District.—J. F. Chenoweth, Presiding Elder, was called, his character passed and he proceeded to read a report of his district. Two churches dedicated and two others ready for dedication. Two new parsonages built and others repaired. Church literature, benevolent collections, and Sunday School interests have all been looked after. All the pastors have received their salaries in full. The following Effective Elders' characters were passed and they reported their collections: T. H. Trainer, W. H. Shaw, S. B. D. Prickett, N. L. Baumgardner, E. H. Orwen, T. W. Chidester, J. C. Rexrood and J. B. Feather.

New River District.—R. H. Hughes, Presiding Elder, was called, his character passed, and he read a report of the work of the year. Preachers were at their appointments in time and worked faithfully during the year. Spiritual condition of the District much improved. About 500 conversions. Benevolent

collections a little less than last year. Three parsonages built and several churches improved. The great need of this District is ordained men—men of experience. The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed and they reported their collections: L. D. Bryan, W. R. Hennen, W. Hunter, L. Cross, P. C. Mays and J. A. Dixon.

Located.—J. F. Snodgrass was granted a location at his own request.

On motion of A. J. Lyda 10:30 A. M. was fixed as the time for receiving the report of the Trustees of the Conference Seminary.

J. M. Warden presented the ordination papers of Geo. W. Fitzwater, a local Deacon, who had withdrawn from the church, which papers were filed with the Secretary.

Oakland District.—C. H. Lakin, Presiding Elder, was called, character passed and he read a report of his District. Preachers all faithful and 700 souls converted during the year and most of them brought into the church. Benevolent collections beyond those of any previous year. Sunday Schools in good condition. Eight churches built during the year, and several churches and parsonages repaired. Some church debts paid, and spiritual condition of the District good.

Presentation.—At this point W. J. Sharpes, on behalf of the preachers of the District, presented him a handsome volume of the Scriptures and a valuable pen.

The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed and they reported their collections: T. R. Faulkner, L. W. Roberts, D. A. Friend, B. B. Evans, W. J. Sharpes and A. D. Perry.

Parkersburg District.—J. A. Fullerton, Presiding Elder. Character passed and he read a report of his District. About 700 received on probation. Seven or eight churches built, parsonages improved. Benevolent collections better than last year. Church literature becoming more widely circulated. Some deficiencies on pastors' salaries. Unbroken harmony between Elder and preachers. Six candidates for admission on trial from the District.

The following Effective Elders' characters passed and they reported their collections: H. H. Miles, J. W. Hess, W. H. Cooper, A. Mick, F. H. J. King, W. E. Loomis, W. W. Kelly, C. J. Price and J. L. Clark,

Located.—W. J. Lowther and J. Norris were, on motion of

J. A. Fullerton, granted a location at their request.

Wheeling District.—The Presiding Elder, Geo. E. Hite, was called, his character passed and he reported his District. Preachers faithful and efficient. About 1000 conversions. Several churches and parsonages built, and others repaired. Benevolent collections better than last year.

The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed and they reported their collections: S. King, L. L. Stewart, H. C. Sanford, C. S. Allemong, D. S. Hammond, J. T. Eichelberger, A. L. Curtis, J. W. W. Bolton, R. F. Randolph, M. F. Dryden, G. W. Grimes, D. L. Ash and J. H. Hess.

H. J. Boatman transferred to Central Illinois Conference and O. J. Moore transferred to Colorado Conference. T. Cotton, Agent of American Bible Society.

Buckhannon District.—W. G. Riheldaffer, Presiding Elder, upon the passage of his character gave a report of his District. Preachers at their work early in the year and all faithful. About 800 conversions and most of them received into full connection. Six churches dedicated and five others ready for dedication. One parsonage in process of erection. Church literature widely circulated and Philippi the banner charge of the Conference. Benevolent collections better than last year, one hundred dollars increase for missions. Some deficiencies in salaries of preachers, but an improvement over former years. The location of our Seminary is at Buckhannon, and the site one of the most beautiful in the State. The District has before it a promising future.

Was, himself severely afflicted in family, but the encouraging words of brethren and the blessing of God sustained him amid it all.

The following Effective Elders' characters were passed and they reported their collections: W. E. Lovett, F. Cottrill, L. H. Jordan, R. S. Welch, C. Warman, C. W. Upton, N. H. Prince, C. B. Graham, Geo. H. Williams, C. B. Meredith, and Benj. Ison.

Clarksburg District.—The name of E. C. Woodruff was called and he was reported sick.

Morgantown District.—The following Effective Elders were called and their characters passed and they reported their collections: D. Cool, J. S. Boreman, W. R. White and F. G. W. Ford.

On motion of J. A. Fullerton, Drs. W. R. White and G. Martin

were appointed fraternal delegates to the African M. E. Conference, in session in the city.

Eighteenth Question.—"Who are the Supernumerary preachers?" was called, and the following were found to be in that relation: S. R. Dawson, R. L. Woodyard, S. Hitchens, E. D. W. King, W. G. Matton and A. T. Morrison.

Transferred.—Newton M. Summerville transferred to West Nebraska Conference.

Effective.—G. R. Copeland was made effective.

Nineteenth Question.—"Who are the Superannuated preachers?" was called, and after the usual proceedings the following were continued in that relation: R. M. Wallace, Moore McNeel, J. T. Carroll, A. Stephens, D. A. McGinnis, John Birkitt, R. L. Brooks, D. S. Benedum, J. B. West, R. Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. W. Reger, Robert Brooks, J. J. Dolliver, Benj. Hager, V. Sanford, Geo. Crossfield, L. E. Leslie, H. Scott, W. Wriston and J. A. Williams.

Change of Relation.—G. W. Matheny's relation was changed from Superannuated to Effective.

Introduction.—Dr. Tanner of the African M. E. Church was introduced to the Conference.

The time, 10:30 A. M., fixed for receiving the report of the Trustees of the Conference Seminary having arrived, the order of the day was taken up, and the Secretary of the Board, E. H. Orwen, read the report of that body, which was adopted.

On motion of Geo. E. Hite the vote was reconsidered and remarks were offered by Geo. E. Hite, W. R. White, A. J. Lyda and the Bishop, after which the report was again adopted.

On motion of J. A. Fullerton, the Conference requested the Bishop to appoint W. E. Lovett as Local Agent of the Conference Seminary.

At the suggestion of Dr. Lyda, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Hartzell addressed the Conference in the interests of the Conference Seminary, who proceeded to take subscriptions for the same. The handsome sum of \$4000.00 was subscribed.

Vote of Thanks.—The Conference returned a vote of thanks to Dr. Hartzell for his efficient help.

Introduction.—The Rev. Mr. Wood of Kansas Conference was introduced.

Announcements.—Announcements were then made.

Dr. W. R. White was appointed by the Bishop to conduct devotional services to-morrow morning at 8:30.

The Doxology was then sung and the Benediction pronounced by Dr. Hartzell.

Third Day.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Oct. 7, 1887.

Devotional Services.—The Conference prayer meeting was opened at 8:30 A. M. by W. R. White, the exercises beginning by singing the 515 hymn, after which Smith Crane led in prayer.

Conference was opened at 9 A. M. with the Bishop in the chair.

Reading the Journal.—The Secretary read the minutes of the previous day which were approved.

Introductions.—Dr. A. Martin of De Pauw University, Dr. A. H. Norcross, of the Pittsburgh Female College, R. F. Keeler and Rev. Hallett, of the East Ohio Conference were introduced.

A motion of S. E. Jones, that after the admission of the Class of the second year, the Conference proceed to elect delegates to General Conference, was carried.

Fifth Question.—"Who are admitted into full connection?" was taken up, and Douglass A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Charles E. Shaw, S. Eli Jones, Amos S. Arnett, Dexter B. Orr, Lorenzo D. Haines and George C. Shaw, class of the second year were called forward to the altar and addressed by the Bishop, who in the course of his remarks called the attention of the class to the doctrine of Christian Perfection, as the central truth of the gospel and distinguishing doctrine of Methodism. He set forth in a most earnest and impressive manner the necessary qualifications of a successful Methodist preacher. The usual Disciplinary questions were then asked, and having given satisfactory answers, passed their examinations, and being represented by their Presiding Elders were received into full connection with the Conference and elected to Deacons' Orders. Except A. S. Arnett who is a Deacon.

The Conference then proceeded to ballot for Delegates to General Conference.

It was agreed that the three receiving the highest number of votes above a majority be elected. No blanks to be counted.

Introductions.—Revs. Perry and Morris of the U. B. church. Dr. Blaisdell, of Wheeling Female College and Dr. Payne of the Ohio Wesleyan University were introduced.

Tellers.—The Bishop appointed S. B. D. Prickett and S. E. Jones as tellers, and E. H. Orwen, Journal Secretary retired with them.

Conference was addressed by Dr. Payne in the interest of the Ohio Wesleyan University, and by Dr. A. Martin of De Pauw University.

The tellers returned. The report of the first ballot showed no election. The second ballot was taken.

Fourteenth Question.—"What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?" was taken up, and after the usual disciplinary proceedings the following named brethren were duly elected Elders: Thomas E. Galway, Columbus W. Cox, George W. Kepler, Elijah R. Skidmore, David F. Carder, Silas D. Tamblin, William W. King, Francis N. Lynch, Anderson A. Nichols and George W. Marston.

Thirteenth Question.—"Who are the Deacons of the second class?" was called.

Class of Third Year.—Charles E. Clark, Charles F. Bollinger Sanford P. Archer, William P. Weekly, and Taylor Richmond were called and after the usual proceedings passed to the second class of Deacons.

R. E. Woodruff was transferred to Central Ohio Conference.

Located.—James M. Grose was located at his own request. On motion of J. A. Fullerton the time was extended.

Third Question.—"Who remain on trial?" was called, and Daniel W. Smith, Warren G. Smith, George M. Kelly, Joseph A. Hammond, Andrew D. Adams, Levi N. Coffield and Marcellus Knotts, their characters having passed they reported their collections, and having passed satisfactory examinations on the studies of the first year, being duly represented by their Presiding Elders, were continued on trial and passed to the class of the second year.

George E. Ward's character passed, he reported his collections, was represented by his Presiding Elder and continued in the class of the second year.

Discontinued.—William H. Scott was discontinued at his own request.

Change of Relation.—A. T. Morrision was granted a location at his own request.

T. H. Trainer was granted a superannuated relation at his own request.

F. G. W. Ford and C. W. Upton were put on committee to examine Local Deacons for Elders' Orders.

The second ballot was reported and George E. Hite having received a majority of the votes cast was announced by the Bishop elected.

Announcements.—Committees were called and announcements made.

Dr. J. Wesley Webb was appointed by the Bishop to conduct devotional services to-morrow morning at 8:30.

Doxology was sung. Benediction pronounced by Dr. A. Martin.

Fourth Day.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Oct. 8, 1887.

Devotional Services.—Conference prayer meeting began at 8:30 A. M. The Rev. Dr. Webb announced the 415 hymn, after the singing of which he led in prayer.

The Conference session was opened at 9 o'clock A. M. with the Bishop in the chair.

Reading Journal.—The secretary read the minutes of the previous day and they were approved.

Third Question Resumed.—B. B. Brooks was called and after the usual proceedings continued on trial.

On motion of E. H. Orwen, it was ordered that the election of delegates for General Conference be continued at 10 o'clock A. M.

Twentieth Question.—The twentieth question of the General Minutes was resumed and C. Poling, W. D. Carrico and B. Darlington upon the passage of their characters, reported their collections.

The Bishop announced the transfer of J. N. Sharp from the Virginia, to the West Virginia Conference.

Tenth Question.—The tenth question, "What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?" was called, and Daniel Smith and George W. McBride being duly recommended, and having passed a favorable examination, were represented by their Presiding Elders, and elected to Local Deacons' orders.

Sixteenth Question.—The sixteenth question, "What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?" was taken up and after the usual disciplinary proceedings the following named brethren were duly elected Local Elders: Wm. P. Daniels and James M. Blair.

On motion of Dr. Webb the Bishop appointed a committee of three to wait on the Lay Electoral Conference. J. W. Webb, B. Ison and J. L. Clark were nominated as such committee.

Introductions.—M. D. Vaughn, of the Ohio Conference, Dr. Bayliss, of the *Western Christian Advocate*, and Dr. Cranston, of the Western Book Concern were introduced.

Dr. Cranston addressed the Conference in the interest of the Western Book Concern.

Dr. Bolton was appointed to respond to the Lay Electoral Conference.

A resolution touching the boundary of the Conference offered by R. H. Hughes, was adopted.

J. L. Clark, Conference Treasurer of the Permanent and Educational Fund, made his annual report, which was received and filed.

A resolution was offered by L. L. Stewart, to loan one hundred dollars from the Educational fund, to Wm. G. Riheldaffer.

Upon motion of Geo. E. Hite a loan of one hundred dollars was granted to C. S. Allemong from the same fund.

Lay Electoral Conference.—The Lay Electoral Conference appearing, a joint session was held. Hon. B. F. Martin addressed the Conference on behalf of the Laymen of the Church and was responded to by the Rev. J. W. W. Bolton, after which was sung "Praise God &c."

The joint body was then addressed by Dr. Bayliss in the interest of the *Western Christian Advocate*.

The Lay Conference retired.

The Conference proceeded to again ballot for delegates to the General Conference.

Dr. A. H. Norcross, President of the Pittsburgh Female College, addressed the Conference in the interest of that institution.

Dr. Blaisdell also addressed the Conference in the interest of the Wheeling Female College.

Collection.—At the suggestion of Dr. White, a collection was taken for B. B. Brooks who lost his money on his way to Conference, amounting to \$38.74.

Introduced.—W. C. Wilson, of the Southern California Conference was introduced.

Treasurer's Report.—The Conference Treasurer, J. L. Clark, made his report, which, by the request of Conference, was read by Districts and general statement given, the report as a whole was then adopted.

The tellers having returned with report of the ballot for General Conference Delegates, the Bishop announced "No election."

The second ballot was taken.

Conference Stewards' Report.—The report of the Conference Stewards was then read by Bro. John Bailee, the Secretary, which was adopted.

The monies were then disbursed.

Second Question.—"Who are admitted on Trial?" was called, and Henson L. Ward, William L. McCoy, John J. White, Thomas H. Clark, Arthur W. Lowther, William J. Holt, J. G. Fugate, Wallace P. Guinn, Albert W. Ownby, W. J. Harkness, George E. Fisher, Bert. C. Cadwell, Joseph H. Stratton, Frank Fletcher, Simon P. Crummett and Enoch S. Withers having passed a satisfactory examination in the course of study for admission and being duly represented by their Presiding Elders, were admitted on trial.

Stark W. Arnold having passed his examination and being represented by his Presiding Elder, was admitted on trial and left without appointment to attend school.

Geo. L. Carder was called forward, the usual questions addressed to candidates for admission into full connection, were propounded by the Bishop, and satisfactory answers being given, he was admitted into full connection and his orders recognized on condition that he is to pass on the third and fourth years' course.

The tellers returned with the report of the ballot, and the Bishop announced the election of J. M. Warden.

A third ballot was taken and on motion of W. G. Ribeldaffer it was agreed that after the election of one, the two receiving the next highest number of votes be elected as reserves.

The time was extended.

Tellers returned with report and the Bishop announced J. F. Chenoweth elected, and J. A. Fullerton and W. R. White having received the next highest number of votes were announced as reserves.

On motion of J. Lee, A. B. Rohrbough was appointed Editor of the *West Virginia Christian Advocate*.

Announcements.—Announcements were made.

C. W. Upton was appointed by the Bishop to conduct the devotional services Monday morning.

The Doxology was sung and the Benediction pronounced by the Bishop.

••• Fifth Day.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Oct. 10, 1887.

Devotional Services.—The devotional services were begun promptly at 8:30 A. M. by Rev. C. W. Upton who announced the 515 hymn, after the singing of which he led in prayer.

The Conference Session opened at 9 A. M. with the Bishop in the chair.

Reading the Journal.—The Secretary read the minutes of Saturday's session which were adopted.

E. D. W. King was made effective on motion of J. M. Warden.

The report of the Committee on Memoirs was then offered.

The Memoirs of Robert Laughlin, C. Conner, J. C. Kurtz and Dr. Webb's wife and daughter were read. The report was adopted.

Sixth Question.—The sixth question, "Who are re-admitted?" was called and H. R. Blaisdell's orders were recognized and he was re-admitted.

A location was granted to W. H. Cooper, at his own request.

Change of Relation.—W. E. Loomis was changed from Effective to Supernumerary.

A complimentary resolution was passed in regard to Rev. H. J. Boatman, who had been transferred.

A resolution relating to Bishop Bowman's visit to our Conference was presented and adopted by a rising vote.

The list of Committees of Examination and Triers of Appeal was read and approved by the Conference.

Judge Samuel Woods as a member of the Board of Trustees, addressed the Conference in reference to the Seminary, after which he presented, in behalf of said Board of Trustees, a resolution in regard to the annual re-appointment of that body by the Conference which was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Missions was presented and read by Joseph Lee, and was adopted.

A resolution was offered relating to W. E. Loomis which was adopted.

A resolution in relation to the Permanent Fund was offered and adopted.

S. B. D. Prickett moved a re-consideration of the Report of the Trustees of the Conference Seminary, which motion carried.

That part of the Report relating to raising the salary of the Agent by an apportionment was stricken out and on motion of Geo. E. Hite, the Conference ordered the Agent's salary to be paid out of collections taken by himself, and the preachers, for that purpose.

The report was then adopted.

A collection was taken for the Janitor amounting to \$13.25.

Located.—L. D. Bryan was located at his own request.

The report of the Secretary was read and adopted.

A collection was taken for the Secretary amounting to \$11.77.

A motion to change the basis of representation as outlined in the discipline, was lost by a vote of 4 to 71.

A motion by E. H. Orwen to order the report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, printed in the Minutes without reading, was carried.

On motion of J. W. Webb, it was agreed that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 1:30 P. M.

Fairmont was selected as the place for holding the next session of the West Virginia Conference.

Reports.—The report of the Committee on Temperance, the

report of the Statistical Secretary, of the Committee on District Conference Journals, of Committee on Bible Cause, were read and adopted.

Thomas Cotton, State Agent of the American Bible Society, addressed the Conference on the Bible cause.

Dr. G. Martin was then called to the chair and the Bishop and his Cabinet retired.

Reports.—Reports of Committee on Parsonages and Furniture, and Committee on Education were read and adopted.

Introduction.—Prof. Shunk, of Mt. Union College was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interest of that institution.

A motion by Dr. A. J. Lyda was carried, that Conference money for the Seminary be turned over to B. F. Martin, the Treasurer.

Resolutions.—Resolutions of thanks to W. E. Loomis; to the citizens of Parkersburg for their hospitality and to the Railroad Companies for their generosity were adopted.

Reports.—Reports from Committees on Presiding Elders' Accounts, and on Periodical and Book Accounts were adopted.

Doxology was sung and the Benediction pronounced by Dr. W. R. White.

Afternoon Session.

The Conference met at 1:30 p. m. with the Bishop in the chair.

Dr. J. L. Clark announced, "A charge to keep I have," after the singing of which he led in prayer.

Reading Journal.—The minutes of the morning session were read by the Secretary, and approved.

Conference was addressed by Dr. Clark as Custodian of the "Conference Historical Society."

The Secretary was instructed to secure a new style of envelope for benevolent collections for the ensuing Conference year.

On motion of Geo. E. Hite, Dr. Blaisdell was appointed President of the Wheeling Female College.

On motion of C. H. Lakin the Conference gave consent to sell a church on Oakland District, in Friendsville charge.

Reports.—Report of Committee on Freedmens' Aid Society, was read and adopted.

Also report of Committee on Observance of the Sabbath was read and on motion of L. L. Stewart it was amended so as to include a certain resolution, and then adopted.

The minute business of the Conference being completed, on motion of W. G. Riheldaffer it was ordered that after the reading of the minutes, and the appointments, the Conference adjourn *sine die*.

Reading of Minutes.—The minutes were read and approved.

The Bishop conducted devotional services, read the appointments, and the Forty-first Session of the Conference closed.

WM. G. RIHELDAFFER, Secretary.

THOMAS BOWMAN, President.



Special Services.

Tuesday Evening.

Conference Sermon by C. H. Lakin.

Wednesday Afternoon.

Anniversary Freedmen's Aid Society, Dr. Hartzell.

Wednesday Evening.

Missionary Sermon, L. H. Jordan.

Thursday Afternoon.

S. School and Tract Anniversary by Dr. J. H. Vincent.

Thursday Evening.

Anniversary Educational Society, addresser, by Drs. Payne, Norcross, Blaisdell, and White.

Friday Evening.

Anniversary Church Extension Society by Dr. Spencer.

Saturday Afternoon.

2:30 P. M.—Memorial Services.

3:30 P. M.—Women's Foreign Missionary Society by Mrs. Kendall, Mrs. Heermans, Mrs. Cowens, and Dr. Payne.

Saturday Evening.

Temperance Mass Meeting by G. W. Atkinson, Dr. Alex Martin, Mrs. Merrick, Drs. Norcross and Payne.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

8:30 A. M.—Conference Love Feast led by W. E. Lovett.

10:30 A. M.—Sermon by Bishop Bowman, followed by Ordination of Deacons.

3 P. M.—Sermon by Dr. C. H. Payne, followed by Ordination of Elders.

7:30 P. M.—Sermon by Dr. A. H. Norcross.

Disciplinary Questions.

QUESTION 1.—“Who have been received by transfer, and from what Conference?”

ANSWER.—J. N. Sharp, from the Virginia Conference.

Q. 2.—“Who are admitted on Trial?”

A.—Henson L. Ward, W. L. McCoy, John J. White, Thomas H. Clark, Arthur W. Lowther, Wm. J. Holt, J. G. Fugate, Wallace P. Guinn, Albert W. Ownby, Wm. J. Harkness, Geo. E. Fisher, Burt C. Cadwell, Joseph H. Stratton, Frank Fletcher, Simon P. Crummett, Stark W. Arnold, Enoch S. Withers.

Q. 3.—“Who remain on Trial?”

A.—Daniel W. Smith, Warren G. Smith, Joseph A. Hammond, George M. Kelly, Andrew D. Adams, Levi N. Coffield, Benson B. Brooks, Marcellus Knotts, George E. Ward.

Q. 4.—“Who are discontinued?”

A.—Wm. J. Scott.

Q. 5.—“Who are admitted into full connection?”

A.—Douglas A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Charles E.

Shaw, George C. Shaw, S. Eli Jones, Amos S. Arnett, Dexter B. Orr, Lorenzo D. Haines, George L. Carder.

Q. 6.—“Who are re-admitted?”

A.—H. R. Blaisdell.

Q. 7.—“Who are received on credentials from other Churches?”

A.—Geo. F. Carder from the Methodist Protestant Church.

Q. 8.—“What traveling preachers have been elected Deacons?”

A.—Douglas A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Charles E. Shaw, George C. Shaw, S. Eli Jones, Dexter B. Orr, Lorenzo D. Haines.

Q. 9.—“What traveling preachers have been ordained Deacons?”

A.—Douglas A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Charles E. Shaw, George C. Shaw, S. Eli Jones, Dexter B. Orr, Lorenzo D. Haines.

Q. 10.—“What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?”

A.—Daniel Smith, Geo. W. McBride.

Q. 11.—“What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?”

A.—Daniel Smith, Geo. W. McBride.

Q. 12.—“Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?”

A.—Geo. L. Carder, Douglas A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Charles E. Shaw, George C. Shaw, S. Eli Jones, Dexter B. Orr, Lorenzo D. Haines.

Q. 13.—“Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?”

A.—Charles E. Clark, Charles F. Bollinger, Sanford P. Archer, Wm. P. Weekly, Taylor Richmond.

Q. 14.—“What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?”

A.—Thomas E. Galway, Columbus W. Cox, George W. Kepler, Elijah R. Skidmore, David F. Carder, Silas D. Tamblyn, George W. Marston, Wm. W. King, Anderson A. Nichols, Francis N. Lynch.

Q. 15.—“What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?”

A.—Thomas E. Galway, Columbus W. Cox, George W. Kepler, Elijah R. Skidmore, David F. Carder, Silas D. Tamblyn, George W. Marston, Wm. W. King, Anderson A. Nichols, Francis N. Lynch.

Q. 16.—“What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?”

A.—Wm. P. Daniels, James M. Blair.

Q. 17.—“What Local Deacons have been ordained Elders?”

A.—Wm. P. Daniels, James M. Blair.

Q. 18.—“Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?”

A.—Samuel R. Dawson, R. L. Woodyard, S. Hitchens, W. G. Matton, W. E. Loomis.

Q. 19.—“Who are the Superannuated Preachers?”

A.—R. M. Wallace, Moore McNeel, J. T. Carroll, A. Stevens, D. A. McGinnis, John Birkitt, R. L. Brooks, D. S. Benedum, J. B. West, R. Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. W. Reger, Robt. Brooks, J. J. Dolliver, Benj. Hagar, V. Sanford, G. Crossfield, H. Scott, L. E. Leslie, W. Wriston, J. A. Williams, T. H. Trainer.

Q. 20.—“Was the character of each Preacher examined?”

A.—Yes, as his name was called in open Conference.

Q. 21.—“Have any died?”

A.—John C. Kurtz, Calvin Conner and Robert Laughlin.

Q. 22.—“Have any been transferred, and to what Conference?”

A.—N. M. Summerville, to the West Nebraska Conference; H. James Boatman and Geo. R. Copeland to the Central Illinois Conference; Okey J. Moore to the Colorado Conference; Robert E. Woodruff to the Central Ohio Conference, J. C. Hull to the New England Southern Conference.

Q. 23.—“Have any withdrawn?”

A.—None.

Q. 24.—“Have any been located at their own request?”

A.—James M. Grose, A. T. Morriston, J. F. Snodgrass, N. J. Lowther, J. Norris, W. H. Cooper, L. D. Bryan.

Q. 25.—“Have any been located?”

A.—None.

Q. 26.—“Have any been permitted to withdraw under charges?”

A.—None.

Q. 27.—“Have any been expelled?”

A.—None.

Q. 28.—“Who are the Triers of Appeals?”

A.—W. R. Hennen, B. B. Evans, C. J. Price, B. Ison, C. R. Shackelford, G. Martin, B. Darlington.

Q. 29.—“What is the Statistical Report for this year?”

A.—Probationers,	2,553.
Full Members,	36,283.
Local Preachers,	237.

Total	39,073.
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(See Statistical Tables.)

Q. 30.—“What are the claims on the Conference Fund?”

A.—Estimated amount \$3,000.00.

Q. 31.—“What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied?”

A.—See Stewards' Report, \$1,943.00.

Q. 32.—“Where are the Preachers Stationed?”

A.—See Appointments.

Q. 33.—“Where shall the next Conference be held?”

A.—Fairmont.



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Rev. Bishop Stephen M. Merrill, D. D., 57 Washington St., Chicago, Ill.

Rev. Bishop Edward G. Andrews, D. D., LL. D., Washington, D. C.

Rev. Bishop Henry W. Warren, D. D., LL. D., Denver, Col.

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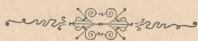
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Rev. Bishop John M. Walden, D. D., LL. D., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Rev. Bishop Willard F. Mallalieu, D. D., 1428 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, La.

Rev. Bishop Charles H. Fowler, D. D., LL. D., 1041 Marker Street, San Francisco, Cal.

Rev. Bishop William Taylor, D. D., St. Paul de Loanda, West Coast of Africa.



Methodist Episcopal Church.

HISTORIC NOTES.—First Society (of five members) organized in New York, by Philip Embury, a local preacher, October, 1776. First church edifice (John Street, New York) dedicated October 30, 1768. First itinerant preachers, Richard Boardman and Joseph Pilmoor, sent by Mr. Wesley, from England, 1769—the former stationed in New York, the latter in Philadelphia. First Conference held in Philadelphia in 1773. First Delegated General Conference held in New York in 1812. First Bishops, Thos. Coke, LL. D., and Francis Asbury, ordained in 1784. First Sunday School organized in 1786, in Hanover County, Va., by Bishop Asbury. The next General Conference meets in New York, May 1888.



Appointments of Preachers.

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Buckhannon District.

L. H. Jordan, P. E., 1. Post-office, Buckhannon, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
2	Belington.....	1	F. Cottrill.....	Belington.....	Barbour...	W. Va.
3	Beverly.....	1	J. W. Sharp.....	Beverly.....	Randolph	" "
4	Buckhannon.....	1	S. D. Tamblyn.....	Buckhannon...	Upshur...	" "
5	Buckhannon Circuit.....	3	C. Warman.....	Pecks Run.....	" "	" "
6	Canaan.....		M. Talbott (sup).....			
7	Freemansburg.....	2	L. D. Haines.....	Freemansburg...	Lewis.....	" "
8	Frenchton.....	1	C. B. Meredith.....	Rock Cave.....	Upshur...	" "
9	Glady.....	1	E. S. Withers.....	" "	" "	" "
10	Glenville.....			Glenville.....	Gilmer.....	" "
11	Philippi.....	1	A. L. Curtis.....	Philippi.....	Barbour...	" "
12	One to be supplied.....					
13	South Buckhannon.....	1	N. H. Prince.....	French Creek...	Upshur...	" "
14	Sutton.....	3	G. H. Williams.....	Braxton, C. H.	Braxton...	" "
15	Troy.....	1	C. Poling.....	Troy.....	Gilmer.....	" "
16	Webster.....	3	B. B. Brooks.....	Webster, C. H.	Webster...	" "
17	Weston.....	2	B. Ison.....	Weston.....	Lewis.....	" "

18 W. E. Lovett, Local Agent of the Conference Seminary, Member of Buckhannon Quarterly Conference.

19 A. B. Rohrbough, Editor of the West Virginia Christian Advocate, Member of Buckhannon Quarterly Conference.

19½ Stark W. Arnold left without appointment to attend school.

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Charleston District.

J. M. Warden, P. E., 4. Post office, Charleston, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
21	Calhoun.....	2	M. W. Atkinson sup	Arnoldsburg....	Calhoun...	W. Va.
22	Charleston.....	1	A. Mick.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha	" "
23	Charleston Ct.....	1	J. P. McCormick.....	Young's Mills....	" "	" "
24	Clifton and Mason.....	3	G. W. Kepler.....	Clifton.....	Mason.....	" "
25	East Charleston.....	1	T. P. Ryan.....	Glen Elk.....	Kanawha	" "
26	Hartford City.....	2	J. W. Griffiths.....	Hartford City...	Mason.....	" "
27	Jackson.....	1	Wm. L. McCoy.....	Lockharts.....	Jackson...	" "
28	Letart and Leon.....	1	A. W. Lowther.....	Letart.....	Mason.....	" "
29	Malden.....	3	A. Moore.....	Malden.....	Kanawha	" "
30	Mill Creek.....	1	J. J. White.....	Higby.....	Jackson...	" "
31	Point Pleasant.....	3	R. B. Ward.....	Point Pleasant...	Mason.....	" "
32	Ravenswood.....	3	U. Pribble.....	Ravenswood....	Jackson...	" "
33	Raymond City.....	1	H. L. Ward.....	Fraziers Bottom	Mason.....	" "
34	Reedy.....	1	J. Pringle (sup).....			
35	Ripley.....	3	E. D. W. King.....	Jackson, C. H....	Jackson...	" "
36	Spencer.....	3	C. R. Shackelford...	Spencer.....	Roane.....	" "
37	Walton.....	1	J. S. Jenkins (sup)...	Walton.....	" "	" "

38 A. J. Lyda, Financial Agent of the Conference Seminary and Member of Charleston Quarterly Conference.

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Clarksburg District.

Joseph Lee, Presiding Elder, 3. Post-office, Fetterman, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
40	Bridgeport.....	1	J. A. Hammond.....	Bridgeport.....	Harrison..	W. Va...
41	Cherry Camp.....	1	B. F. Rogers.....	Cherry Camp...	"	"
42	Clarksburg.....	1	J. Engle.....	Clarksburg.....	"	"
43	Fairmont.....	1	C. F. Bollinger.....	Fairmont.....	Marion....	"
44	Farmington.....	1	G. Martin.....	Farmington.....	"	"
45	Logansport.....	1	W. D. Carrico.....	Logansport.....	"	"
46	Lumberport.....	1	E. C. Woodruff.....	Lumberport.....	Harrison..	"
47	Mannington.....	1	J. W. Webb.....	Mannington.....	Marion....	"
48	Marion.....	1	T. Richmond.....	Barracksville...	"	"
49	Pine Grove.....	1	C. A. McCallister sup	Pine Grove.....	Wetzel....	"
50	Pruntytown.....	1	C. J. Trippett.....	Pruntytown.....	Taylor....	"
51	Quiet Dell.....	1	J. Conwell.....	Quiet Dell.....	Harrison..	"
52	Salem.....	1	Frank Fletcher.....	Salem.....	"	"
53	Smithton.....	1	M. Taylor.....	Smithton.....	Doddr'ge	"
54	Wallace.....	1	To be supplied.....	"	"	"
55	West Milford.....	1	G. Rogers.....	West Milford...	Harrison..	"
56	Wilsonburg.....	1	B. D. Mahone.....	Wilsonburg.....	"	"
57	Worthington.....	1	Thomas H. Clark...	Worthington.....	Marion....	"

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Guyandotte District.

M. W. Rider, P. E., 3. Post-office, Guyandotte, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
59	Cassville.....	2	J. T. Davis.....	Fort Gay.....	Wayne...	W. Va.
60	Ceredo.....	1	G. C. Shaw.....	Ceredo.....	"	"
61	Coal River.....	1	C. W. Myers (sup)	Peytonia.....	Boone....	"
62	Fairchilds.....	1	A. W. Ownby.....	Fairfields.....	Kanawha	"
63	Guyandotte.....	1	S. P. Archer.....	Guyandotte.....	Cabell....	"
64	Hamlin.....	1	J. Herbert (sup)...	Hamlin.....	Lincoln...	"
65	Huntington.....	1	H. C. Sanford.....	Huntington.....	Cabell....	"
66	Laurel.....	2	To be supplied.....	Tooley.....	Wayne...	"
67	Milton.....	2	G. W. Matheny.....	Milton.....	Cabell....	"
68	Monticello.....	2	J. L. Moses (sup)...	Beech Hill.....	Mason....	"
69	St. Albans.....	1	B. C. Cadwell.....	St. Albans.....	Kanawha	"
70	Wayne.....	3	E. Darlington.....	Wayne C. H.....	Wayne....	"
71	Winfield.....	1	G. W. Marston.....	Winfield.....	Putman...	"

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Morgantown District.

J. F. Chenoweth, P. E., 3. Post-office, Palatine, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
73	Arnettsville.....	2	C. W. Cox.....	Arnettsville.....	Monong'a	W. Va...
74	Blacksville.....	1	D. Cool.....	Blacksville.....	"	"
75	Grafton.....	3	S. B. D. Prickitt...	Grafton.....	Taylor....	"
76	Halleck.....	2	N. L. Baumgardner	Gladesville.....	Preston...	"
77	Jollytown.....	1	C. W. Upton.....	Jollytown.....	Greene....	Penn....
78	Kingwood.....	3	E. H. Orwen.....	Kingwood.....	Preston...	W. Va...
79	Knottsville.....	1	S. B. Feather.....	Knottsville.....	Taylor....	"
80	Littleton.....	1	E. R. Skidmore.....	Littleton.....	Wetzel....	"
81	Masontown.....	1	A. D. Perry.....	Masontown.....	Preston...	"
82	Morgantown.....	2	W. R. White.....	Morgantown.....	Monong'a	"
83	Morgantown Circuit.....	1	F. G. W. Ford.....	"	"	"
84	Monongalia.....	1	T. W. Chidester.....	Laurel Point....	"	"
85	Palatine.....	1	J. S. Boreman.....	Palatine.....	Marion...	"
86	Tunnelton.....	1	W. P. Weekly.....	Tunnelton.....	Preston...	"

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New River District.

R. H. Hughes, P. E., 4. Post-office, Raleigh C. H., W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
88	Blue Stone.....	1	To be supplied.....			
89	Boone.....	1	J. G. Fugate.....	Hewitt.....	Boone.....	W. Va.
90	Clay.....	1	A. D. Adams.....	Tate Creek.....	Braxton.....	"
91	Concord.....	1	A. L. Hughes (sup).....	Concord.....	Mercer.....	"
92	Elk River.....	2	Geo. L. Carder.....	Osborne's Mills.....	Roane.....	"
93	Fayette.....	1	J. T. Underwood sup.....	Kincaid.....	Fayette.....	"
94	Flat Top.....	1	J. Adamson (sup).....	Shady Springs.....	Raleigh.....	"
95	Hinchmans.....	1	W. P. Guinn.....	Bald Knob.....	Boone.....	"
96	Hinton and Coal Valley.....	2	J. A. Dixon.....	Coal Valley.....	Fayette.....	"
97	Logan.....	1	To be supplied.....	Cow Creek.....	Logan.....	"
98	Mountain Cove.....	1	W. R. Hennon.....	Leander.....	Fayette.....	"
99	Nicholas.....	1	D. W. Smith.....	Kesters x Lanes.....	Nicholas.....	"
100	Oceana.....	1	G. E. Ward.....	Oceana.....	Wyoming.....	"
101	Ophelia.....	1	A. A. Nichols.....	Ophelia.....	"	"
102	Pleasant Retreat.....	2	P. C. Mays.....	Pleasant Retre't.....	Clay.....	"
103	Raleigh.....	1	Wm. Hunter.....	Raleigh C. H.....	Raleigh.....	"

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Oakland District.

Wm. J. Sharpes, P. E., 1. Post-office, Oakland, Md.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
105	Albrightsville.....	2	T. R. Faulkner.....	Albright.....	Preston.....	W. Va.
106	Aurora.....	1	J. C. Rexroad.....	Aurora.....	"	"
107	Brandonville.....	3	L. W. Roberts.....	Brandonville.....	"	"
108	"	1	One to be supplied.....	"	"	"
109	Craneville.....	3	D. B. Orr.....	Craneville.....	"	"
110	Davis.....	1	C. E. Shaw.....	Davis.....	Grant.....	"
111	Deer Park.....	1	G. M. Kelley.....	Deer Park.....	Garrett.....	Md.
112	Evansville.....	2	D. A. Friend.....	Evansville.....	Preston.....	W. Va.
113	Friendsville.....	3	A. S. Arnett.....	Friendsville.....	Garrett.....	Md.
114	Grantsville.....	1	H. E. Friend (sup).....	Grantsville.....	"	"
115	Hambleton.....	1	R. S. Welsh.....	Hambleton.....	Grant.....	W. Va.
116	Newburg.....	3	B. B. Evans.....	Newburg.....	Preston.....	"
117	Oakland.....	1	J. W. W. Bolton.....	Oakland.....	Garrett.....	Md.
118	Pleasant Grove.....	2	M. Knotts.....	Sinclair.....	Preston.....	W. Va.
119	Randolph Mission.....	1	To be supplied.....	"	"	"
120	Rowlesburg.....	1	W. H. Shaw.....	Rowlesburg.....	Preston.....	W. Va.
121	St. George.....	1	Levi Cross.....	St. George.....	Tucker.....	"

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Parkersburg District.

J. A. Fullerton, P. E., 3. Post-office, Parkersburg, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
123	Belleville.....	1	S. Eli Jones.....	Belleville.....	Wood.....	W. Va.
124	Centreville.....	3	D. T. Carder.....	Ripley.....	Tyler.....	"
125	Elizabeth.....	2	C. E. Clark.....	Wirt C. H.....	Wirt.....	"
126	Elizabeth Circuit.....	1	L. N. Coffield.....	"	"	"
127	Ellenboro.....	1	C. J. Price.....	Ellenboro.....	Ritchie.....	"
128	Harrisville.....	1	F. H. J. King.....	Ritchie C. H.....	"	"
129	Middlebourne.....	1	W. A. Chevront.....	Middlebourne.....	Tyler.....	"
130	Parkersburg.....	1	George E. Hite.....	Parkersburg.....	Wood.....	"
131	Parkersburg Circuit.....	3	W. W. Kelley.....	"	"	"
132	Parkersburg Mission.....	1	J. L. Clark.....	"	"	"
133	Pleasants.....	1	George E. Fisher.....	Ravea Rock.....	Pleasants.....	"
134	Sistersville.....	1	H. H. Miles.....	Sistersville.....	Tyler.....	"
135	Shiloh.....	1	J. H. Stratton.....	Shiloh.....	"	"
136	Smithville.....	1	J. W. Hess.....	Smithville.....	Ritchie.....	"
137	Valley Mills.....	1	To be supplied.....	Valley Mills.....	Wood.....	"
138	Van Camp.....	1	W. J. Holt.....	Van Camp.....	Tyler.....	"
139	Volcano.....	2	S. P. Crummit.....	Volcano.....	Wood.....	"
140	West Union.....	2	W. G. Smith.....	West Union.....	Doddridge.....	"
141	Williamstown.....	1	W. J. Harkness.....	Williamstown.....	Wood.....	"

142 Thomas Cotton, State Agent of the American Bible Society, Member of Parkersburg Quarterly Conference.

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Wheeling District.

S. Earnest Jones, P. E., 1. Post-office, Wheeling, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
144	Benwood	2	W. W. King.....	Benwood	Marshall..	W. Va...
145	Cameron	1	F. M. Lynch	Cameron	"	"
146	Dallas	3	C. S. Allemon	Dallas	"	"
147	Fulton	1	To be supplied .....	.....	"	"
148	Greene	1	J. T. Erchelberger	Bannan	Marshall..	"
149	Marshall	2	S. King.....	Sherrard	"	"
150	Moundsville	3	L. L. Stewart.....	Moundsville	"	"
151	Moundsville Circuit	1	C. H. Lakin	"	"	"
152	New Martinsville	3	D. S. Hammond	New Martinsv'e	Wetzel.....	"
153	New Martinsville Circuit	1	A. J. L. Curtis (sup)	Procton	"	"
154	Pleasant Valley	1	D. A. Denton	Limestone	Marshall..	"
155	Short Creek and Liberty	1	J. H. Hess.....	West Liberty	Ohio.....	"
156	Triadelphia	2	T. E. Galway	Triadelphia	"	"
	<i>Wheeling</i>			Wheeling	"	"
157	Chapline Street	1	Wm. G. Riheldaffer	"	"	"
158	Fourth "	3	R. F. Randolph	"	"	"
159	North "	3	M. F. Dryden	"	"	"
160	Thompson Church	2	G. W. Grimes	"	"	"
161	Wesley Chapel	2	D. L. Ash	"	"	"
162	Zane Street	1	C. B. Graham	"	"	"

163 H. R. Blaisdell, President of Wheeling Female College, Member of Fourth Street Quarterly Conference.





MEMOIRS.

REV. CALVIN CONNER.

Rev Calvin Conner was born in Athens County, Ohio, in 1819, was converted at the age of fifteen years, and joined the Church about the same time, and was admitted on trial in the West Virginia Conference in 1850. He was married to Elizabeth Collins, Sept. 12th, 1839, by whom he had six children, three of whom still live. The mother of these children died in great peace, many years ago. On Sept. 7th, 1870, Bro. Conner was happily married to Margaret Guthrie, of Wheeling, West Va., who was with him in the labors and responsibilities of the ministry for sixteen years. She went with him just as near to the dividing line between life and death, as God would permit. His children summoned to his bedside to shed affection's tears and to say farewell, heard his words of triumph when he said, "Tell my brethren of the Conference, I died at my post, praise the Lord! sing, sing, hallelujah!" To his sorrowing wife he said, "Trust in the Lord, He will take care of you." Rev. C. D. Battelle having just received a letter from Bro. Loomis, read it to his dying friend; he shouted, "Hallelujah, praise the Lord! If I were half way over Jordan, I would shout back, hallelujah, praise the Lord!" Many expressions of triumph fell from his lips, as his kindred and friends stood watchfully by his bed, and saw him approaching his end. His wife and children, and other friends followed him to Greenwood Cemetery, where his remains now rest.

Our brother gave twenty-nine years to the active work of the ministry. For seven years his name was on the superannuated list. These years were spent near Moundsville, West Va., where many of his friends still live to mourn his departure. Oct. 12th he was seriously injured by a fall, while attending the dedication of a church at Round Bottom, a few miles below Moundsville. From that injury he never

fully recovered. Dec. 12th, his left side was paralyzed. Though able to converse with his family and friends for a few days, yet he continued to sink lower and lower in the valley of death, until the 28th ult., he fell asleep in Jesus. The means of knowing his various fields of labor are not at hand, but his record is on high. "Verily there is a record for the righteous."

REV. JOHN C. KURTZ.

Rev. John C. Kurtz was born in Philadelphia, Penna., Sept. 21st, 1851, and died of Pneumonia fever at Deer Park, Md., April 16, 1887. He was converted and, joined church when twenty years of age. He was married to Annie M. C. Kenoff, of Cleveland, Ohio. Of the four children that graced this union, two preceded the father to the better land. Early in his christian life he was impressed that it was his duty to preach, but fought against the conviction of the spirit for ten years. Finally he yielded and gave up all to preach, and work for the Master.

In October, 1885, he was employed by the Elder on Pleasant Grove Circuit, and did good and faithful work, and souls were saved. Having been duly recommended by the Oakland District Conference, he was admitted on trial in the West Virginia Conference, Sept. 1886, and appointed to Deer Park Circuit.

He was kindly received by the people, and entered upon his work with bright hopes for the future. But how sudden his ministerial career was brought to a close. After a short illness on the 16th of April he left his earthly for his heavenly home. The day before he died, to his weeping wife he said, "I am going to die, I have had such bright visions, I am going home, Oh! it is so bright over there, I want to go, I am ready now," and passed away. He was a young man of promise, and was making rapid proficiency in preaching, and in other branches of church work, highly esteemed, and loved by those for whom he labored. We may not be able to comprehend the designs of God in the removal of men of promise to the church, and yet we have the assurance that all these dispensations, however mysterious to us, are always wise and right, and good.

REV. ROBERT LAUGHLIN.

Rev. Robert Laughlin was born April 15, 1813, and died Jan. 17, 1887. He was converted and united with the church in 1832, and was married to his now bereaved wife in 1835. In 1840 he was licensed to preach and admitted into the Pittsburg Conference in 1844. The following circuits were traveled by him, namely, Morgantown circuit, Beverly, Petersburg, Somerset, Ligonier, Mt. Morris, and Waynesburg. In 1856, he located, and in 1861, volunteered and served for a term in the Union Army.

In 1864 he was re-admitted in the W. Va. Conference, and traveled Blacksville circuit one year, at the close of which he superannuated, and settled on his farm in Green County, Pa., where he spent the closing years of his life doing all he could for the church. He preached his first sermon in the winter of 1835, and his last, at Jollytown, at the request of some friends in 1886.

He was endowed with more than ordinary natural talent, preached with great power and acceptability, not unfrequently to the astonishment of his congregation. As he neared the Jordan of death, he rejoiced in the prospect of a final resting place in heaven. With him, "at eventide it was light."

ERNESTINE WEBB.

Ernestine Webb, wife of Rev. J. Wesley Webb, was born April 15th, 1847, and died at Mannington, West Va., March 21st, 1887. She was converted Feb. 14, 1867, and her religious experience was bright and happy. She loved the means of grace, and was an exemplary member of the church. She was a lady of refinement and culture at home, in the most accomplished society, and also with those in the humbler walks of life. A little while before she died, she said that with her present surroundings she would be perfectly happy, and would like to live, but she was resigned to the Divine will. She said she loved the Savior, and was trusting in Him. He was precious to her, and she saw her way clear. She had been married to her now bereaved husband but a short time when she died. Though death came suddenly, she was ready. Her death was calm and peaceful, and was brightened with the hope of a glorious immortality.

NELLIE LOUISA WEBB.

Nellie Louisa, daughter of Rev. J. Wesley Webb, was born in Morgantown, May 26, 1870, and died in Mannington, Oct. 1st, 1887, in her 18th year. She was a kind and dutiful daughter, a christian girl, and a great comfort to her father in his affliction. But she is not, for God has taken her.

T. H. TRAINER,
BENJ. ISON,
G. MARTIN.

Members of the Committee.

Reports of Standing Committees.

Education.

The American system of popular education is deservedly our boast and glory. Under its benign auspices the facilities for intellectual culture have marvellously increased. We have reason to expect large returns from the investment made in our institutions of learning. Nothing is so potent as the fact that labor under cultivated brain direction is productive in a direct ratio with the amount and quality of the intelligence that controls it. We therefore congratulate the church in the triumphs it has achieved in the domain of Education, and indulge the hope that high thinking and sincere piety will form a closer alliance than heretofore manifested. We rejoice that our denominational schools demonstrate the wisdom of placing the mental training of our youth under the supervision of the Church.

Wesley in the far reaching policy he adopted for dispensing secular knowledge among his followers displayed a philosophic insight and a clear foresight. A hundred years' wondrous progress establishes his fame as an acute and sagacious legislator.

The temples of learning under the pious policy of uniting learning and christianity become temples of devotion. Their graduates come forth burning with the fire of hallowed love and shining with the light of consecrated science.

Loyalty to Methodism as well as to the Church Catholic compels us to turn our patronage into those channels only which promise to bring the young into the communion of Saints. No college that permits its professors to insinuate skepticism into immature and impressible minds, who antagonize scripture with science falsely so called can expect any favor from Christian parents. It is demanded that every man should be presented perfect in Christ Jesus as well as perfect in the curriculum of study.

As Christians we should give no uncertain sound on this subject. We are the Bible-appointed guardians of the young. Institutions of learning that are controlled by partisan creeds or

used for the promotion of party intrigues ought not to command our patronage or sympathy.

We are fortunate in having at places very accessible several schools of the highest grade, colleges taking a front rank among similar institutions in our land, whose instructors are gentlemen of ripe scholarship and rich christian culture. Their influence is powerful and beneficent.

Alleghany College continues prosperous and progressive.

Mt. Union is as vigorous as ever. Under a new regime, it has taken advanced steps.

Ohio Wesleyan University, with an increased roll-call numbering 800 students, offering strong inducements to both sexes, extends her greeting to us. The fact that the West Virginia Conference is represented in the Board of Trustees of these colleges, equally with other patronizing conferences gives them superior advantages and high claims on our patronage.

The school of Theology at De Pauw University, Greencastle, Indiana, under the presidency of Alexander Martin, and located within a day's travel of Wheeling presents to theological students great attractions.

Wheeling Female College under the direction of its newly elected president, Dr. Blaisdell, Pittsburg Female College, now presided over by Dr. Norcross, and Beaver Institute afford the young ladies of our State rare opportunities of thorough training in the branches of a modern education.

The report of the Trustees of our own Conference Seminary renders unnecessary a lengthy reference. The prospect of having at no distant date a school of our own which shall stop the exodus of our young people to other States is very inspiring. May God open the hearts of laymen and their pockets too, so that the labor and patient hope of the friends of this enterprise may be triumphantly blessed and rewarded.

The great system of public instruction which is nearly co-eval with the history of our State, from the humblest log-school house up to our stately University at Morgantown under the presidency of E. M. Turner, LL. D., deserves our favorable notice. These three grades of institutions of learning, now in successful operation—the Common Schools, the Normal Schools, and the State University—appeal to our State pride. As these co-operate indirectly, as well as directly with our efforts to establish a Conference Seminary, it is to our interest that these

halls of education should continue to receive our generous support.

We recommend the passage of the following:

Resolved, That the Agents of the Freedmen's Bureau be requested to deliver to the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of our Conference Seminary, the funds collected from our congregations during the ensuing five years.

We recommend the appointment of the following:

C. F. Scott as Trustee to fill vacancy in the Ohio Wesleyan University, and S. E. Jones and W. W. King as Visitors.

To Allegheny College, A. M. Poundstone and L. H. Jordan as Board of Control, and Dr. Fullerton and J. C. Bardell, as Visitors.

To Mt. Union, L. W. Roberts, W. G. Riheldaffer and L. L. Stewart, as Visiting Committee, and W. R. White, G. W. Atkinson and A. L. Wade as Committee of Supervision.

Wheeling Female College, H. C. Sanford and C. B. Graham as Visiting Committee.

Pittsburg Female College, A. J. Lyda and Dr. Randolph, as Visitors.

To Beaver Female Institute, C. S. Allemong and Dr. W. W. Bolton.

W. R. WHITE, *Secretary*.

A. J. LYDA, *Chairman*.

Report of Trustees of the Conference Seminary.

To the Bishop and Members of the West Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church:

The Trustees of the Conference Seminary heretofore appointed by your body with instructions to locate a Seminary for this Conference, respectfully report that after sundry meetings at different places, and receiving from various localities, liberal propositions and offers of donations, as inducements to secure the location of the Institution at the said places, respectively; and maturely considering such propositions, your Trustees finally, in July last, located the said Institution at the town of Buckhannon, in the County of Upshur, and purchased for a site, for such Seminary, a beautiful plat of ground on the South East side of said town, about three-fourths of a mile from the Court House,

and not quite so far from the Methodist Episcopal Church. Said plat contains forty-three and one-quarter acres. This site is the most commanding and eligible of the many, by which the town is surrounded. The purchase was made at the price of five thousand five hundred and fifty-one dollars and eighty-six cents (\$5,551.86), of which \$300 was paid in cash, the residue to be paid in three equal annual payments of \$1,750 93 each, with interest, for which said several deferred payments the thirteen acting Trustees made their joint notes which are further secured by the vendor's lien reserved in the deed conveying said property to the Trustees. An apt and proper deed of general warranty conveying said 43 $\frac{1}{4}$ acres of land to your Trustees, has been duly executed by the vendor, Levi Leonard, and his wife, and admitted to record in the Clerk's office, of the County Court of Upshur County. Whereupon by operation of law your Trustees became a Corporation. Your Trustees have received from the citizens of Buckhannon and Upshur County good solvent subscriptions amounting to the sum of \$12,000, to aid in the purchase of a site, and the erection of proper buildings thereon, payable, one-fourth when work on the buildings shall be commenced, the residue in three equal payment at three, six and nine months thereafter.

Your Trustees did not deem it advisable for the short time intervening between the time of the location of the Seminary and the meeting of Conference to put a financial agent in the field. Your Trustees recommend that the Conference appoint as financial agent for the ensuing Conference year, the Rev. A. J. Lyda, D. D.; and that he be paid a salary of \$1000, and his traveling and moving expenses.

Messrs. Henry K. List, J. C. McGrew and Henry Logan, named by the Conference as Trustees of the Seminary, decline to act as Trustees, we therefore recommend the appointment by the Conference in the room and stead of said persons, Messrs. W. A. Wilson, of Wheeling, J. C. Bardell, of Moundsville, and S. P. McCormick, of Kingwood. We further recommend the appointment of Messrs. Chas. W. Lynch, of Clarksburg, Chas. F. Scott, of Parkersburg, J. H. Hanson, of Buckhannon, and Revs. S. B. D. Prickett, Geo. E. Hite and C. H. Lakin, as Reserves, from which the Board of Trustees may fill any vacancy or vacancies that may occur in the Board.

The Agent's salary and traveling expenses are to be paid out of collections he and the preachers may take for that purpose.

We recommend that the Board of Trustees be authorized to proceed in the erection of suitable Seminary buildings on the site selected as aforesaid, at such time, and on such plans as the Board shall in its judgement deem best, and also to equip, employ teachers, fix salaries for the same, sell scholarships, fix tuition fees and put said Institution in running order.

WHEREAS, The West Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, desiring to establish within its boundaries a "Conference Seminary" for the education of the youth of both sexes in the higher branches of learning, and to this end appointed a Board of sixteen Trustees of the proposed Seminary, and instructed them to proceed, as soon as practicable after its last session, to select a suitable location for such Seminary, and give publicity of their action in the premises; and also to procure a charter of incorporation for said Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, The said Trustees have located said Seminary at the town of Buckhannon, in Upshur county, and have purchased and procured, to be conveyed to them by good and sufficient deed, a certain parcel of land in said county for the use of the said Seminary, which has been recorded in said county; all of which having been duly reported by said Trustees to this annual Conference, have been by it accepted, ratified and confirmed; and

WHEREAS, It is desired that the Board of Trustees of said Conference, already appointed, should become a body corporate to hold, receive, manage and control, for the use of said Seminary, the land so purchased for it as aforesaid, and all other property, real, personal or mixed, which said Trustees or any other person may now have or hold for the use of said Seminary, or which may be hereafter given, bequeathed, devised, granted, conveyed, or in any other manner acquired for its use; and

WHEREAS, It is deemed essential to the permanency and success of the said Seminary that the general management and supervision thereof shall at all times be under the ultimate control and direction of this Conference until otherwise ordered; therefore,

Resolved, 1st, That this Conference will, at each annual session thereof, appoint sixteen persons to act as a Board of Trustees for said Seminary, all of whom shall be members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in good standing, eight of whom shall be traveling preachers and eight laymen, residing within the bounds of this Conference.

2d, That the Trustees so appointed shall continue in office until their successors are appointed and have signified in writing to the Secretary of this Conference their acceptance of this trust.

3d, That when any person appointed such Trustee shall permanently remove beyond the bounds of this Conference, or cease to be a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, his office as such Trustee shall become vacant; and such vacancy shall

be filled by a majority of the remaining Trustees until the next annual session of this Conference.

4th, That the said Trustees now appointed be, and they are hereby directed to cause themselves and their successors to be incorporated under the laws of West Virginia for the purposes hereinbefore set forth, and to provide in such charter of incorporation that all vacancies which shall occur in the corporate body by death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be filled by selections from the persons then constituting the said Board of Trustees for said Seminary.

5th, That when the said Trustees shall have been incorporated, as aforesaid, and duly organized as such corporation, it shall be the duty of said Trustees, by proper deeds, assignments and transfers, to convey, transfer and deliver to such corporation all property, real, personal or mixed, which they may have or hold in trust for said Seminary.

6th, That the said Trustees shall report their action in the premises to the next session of this Conference.

A. J. LYDA, President.

E. H. ORWEN, Secretary.

ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance is aware that the making of reports, and the uttering of sentiments upon the subject of temperance at our Annual Conferences has become somewhat monotonous, yet we wish in this paper to so intensify our meaning, and emphasize our utterances, that a new interest may be awakened and a new zeal kindled upon this overshadowing subject, and, if possible, impart such power to our action as to cause its pulsations to be felt throughout our entire conference.

The defiant attitude, and the determined and aggressive acts of the liquor power, make it imperative upon the temperance and christian people to meet the issues it forces upon them with a firmness and persistency that knows no abatement.

The tide of public sentiment and zeal has been steadily rising until it has at last reached the only safe and legitimate basis as expressed in our Book of Discipline, viz.: "Voluntary total abstinence from all intoxicants as the true ground of personal temperance; and complete legal prohibition of the traffic in intoxicating drinks as the duty of civil government." It has taken long years of instruction to bring the church to this correct standard of thought and action, if indeed the general church

has yet attained thereunto. is a source of great satisfaction and cause for devout thankfulness that our own church has led in this matter, and that her utterances are of the clearest and most positive character, and for the benefit of society and to provoke others to good works, we repeat them from year to year, and will continue so to do, until the rum power is overthrown and its traffic destroyed.

Resolved, 1st. We are utterly opposed to the whole license system, and believe it to be wrong in every feature, whether high license or low license, taxation or anything of the kind, and instead of throwing around the liquor traffic the sanction and protection of law, we demand that it be completely and forever overthrown by constitutional prohibition.

2nd. We rejoice in the progress that prohibition is making and will gladly hail it in any form, whether as local option in municipality, county or state, or by constitutional enactment; and we believe that Congress should pass a law to prevent the Government from issuing license to sell intoxicants in any town, county or state, where the people have said by their votes that license is not desired.

3rd. We will most heartily co-operate with the W. C. T. U., the Good Templars, and all other organizations in their efforts to form the right kind of public sentiment upon this subject; and we will also give aid and sympathy to the teachers in our public schools, in their efforts to carry out the late provisions of our school law which requires that the physiological effects of alcohol and narcotics upon the human system, shall be taught in all the public schools of the state.

4th. We believe that the prohibition amendment to our constitution, now before the people of West Virginia ought to become a part of our organic law; and that we here declare our intention to labor and vote for its adoption, and to induce as many as we can to follow our example.

5th. Temperance and prohibition are questions with which the church has a perfect right to deal; in fact the church ought to mould the policy to be pursued in presenting them to the people. In the past these questions have been left too much to the control of outside persons and organizations, whose efforts would have been much more potent for good had they been coupled with those of the church. We have reached a point in our struggle with the liquor traffic when it behooves the church to assume the leadership, for we stand face to face, foot to foot with this liquor demon, it is his life or our life, which shall it be? In view of the important interests pressing upon us now in West Virginia, we believe it would be wise for this conference to ask the Bishop to appoint one of its members to the Temperance work of the State for the next year.

6th, We call upon all the friends of the amendment, whatever their political affiliations, to cultivate a spirit of fraternity, and as far as possible seek unity of action as there is now unity of purpose. And as the amendment is not a party, but a people's measure, therefore let it rest upon its own merits, and the campaign for its adoption, be conducted strictly upon a non-partisan basis, as set forth in the platform of the "Prohibition League of West Virginia." The battle now upon us is to put to the test our courage and patience, and will call for the exercise of the most profound wisdom and consummate skill in its management. Our enemy, strong and defiant, is fresh from the field of victory in Michigan, Texas and Tennessee, but we trust, in West Virginia he will find his Waterloo. As we go to our fields of labor for the next year, let us remember that all the ages are looking down upon us, and in the spirit of the recent martyrs to this cause, let us stand firm for the right, to be aggressive and united; to pray right—and to vote as we pray;—to teach faithfully in both the home and pulpit, the uniform utterances of our church upon these subjects, and may God give us the victory.

A. B. ROHRBOUGH, Secretary.

J. W. W. BOLTON, Chairman.



Reports of the Board of Stewards.

The Board of Stewards met and examined the reports from the charges and would respectfully report the following amounts received for Conference claimants:

From Wheeling District.....	\$482 50
“ Parkersburg “.....	212 00
“ Morgantown “.....	182 00
“ Oakland “.....	160 00
“ Buckhannon “.....	142 00
“ Clarksburg “.....	112 00
“ Charleston “.....	55 25
“ Guyandotte “.....	49 00
“ New River “.....	30 00

Total amount from Districts.....	\$1,424 75
Received dividend from Book Concern.....	270 00
“ from Chartered Fund.....	30 00
“ “ Interest on Permanent Fund.....	218 25

Total receipts..... \$1,943 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Widow Blundon.....	\$ 10 00	Paid to.....	J. M. Warden.
“ “ Richmond.....	10 00	“	A. L. Curtis.
“ “ Burns.....	30 00	“	G. Martin.
“ “ Irwin.....	25 00	“	C. F. Bollinger.
“ Child’n of Wid. Hartley.....	150 00	“	D. S. Hammond.
“ Widow Monroe.....	75 00	“	J. M. Warden.
“ “ Battelle.....	15 00	“	W. G. Riheldaffer.
“ “ Weaver.....	140 00	“	“ “
“ “ Young.....	145 00	“	C. Poling.
“ “ Parriott.....	125 00	“	G. R. Copeland.
“ “ Heaston.....	100 00	“	Secretary.
“ “ Steele.....	150 00	“	W. E. Lovett.
“ “ Beckley.....	100 00	“	B. Darlington.
“ “ Laughlin.....	130 00	“	S. D. Tamblyn.
“ “ Heatherly.....	10 00	“	J. T. Davis.
“ “ Conner.....	50 00	“	L. L. Stewart.
“ Rev. J. J. Dolliver.....	75 00	“	G. E. Hite.
“ “ B. Hager.....	40 00	“	J. M. Warden.
“ “ R. L. Brooks.....	65 00	“	B. B. Brooks.
“ “ D. S. Benedum.....	40 00	“	J. T. McCormick.
“ “ W. Wriston.....	20 00	“	R. H. Hughes.
“ “ Geo. Crossfield.....	15 00	“	Self.
“ “ R. Northcraft.....	100 00	“	Self.
“ “ J. B. West.....	25 00	“	C. J. Price.
“ “ J. T. Carroll.....	20 00	“	A. J. Lyda.
“ “ R. M. Wallace.....	100 00	“	J. Engle.
“ “ G. W. Matheny.....	30 00	“	Self.
“ “ J. T. Eichelberger.....	40 00	“	Self.
“ “ John Conwell.....	25 00	“	Self.
“ “ A. A. Nichols.....	25 00	“	Self.
“ “ J. L. Clark.....	58 00	“	Self.

Total disbursements..... \$1,943 00

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. LOVETT, President.

JOHN BAILIE, Secretary.

W. E. M. Society

Annual report of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society,
West Virginia Conference Division:

Wheeling District—Mrs. S. E. Moore, Secretary.

Fourth Street, including Thoburn Band	\$ 70 25
Zane Street	36 00
Chapline Street	5 00
Wesley Chapel	24 80
Thompson Church, including Sumner Band	66 75
Triadelphia, including contents of Conference Envelope	21 00
Moundsville, including "King's Daughters" and Moore Band	152 44
North Street, through Conference Envelope	2 00
Pleasant Valley, " " "	1 00

Total for District.....\$379 24

Morgantown District—Mrs. F. Heermans, Secretary.

Morgantown	\$ 12 00
Kingwood, including "Busy Bees"	53 50
Masontown	3 50
Palatine	7 50
Albrightsville	18 4
Laurel Point	10 48
Grafton	20 50
Arnettville	13 00
Mountain Lake Park, through Conference Envelope	5 00
Cranesville, " " "	5 00
Hambleton, " " "	2 00
Jollytown, " " "	1 00
From Morgantown District Conference	5 00

Total for Morgantown and Oakland Districts.....\$146 52

Parkersburg District—Mrs. A. E. Baldwin, Secretary.

Parkersburg Station	\$ 71 00
West Union, through Conference Envelope	2 00
Sistersville, " " "	5 00
Valley Mills, " " "	1 00

Total for District.....\$79 00

Buckhannon District.

Buckhannon Station, through Conference Envelope	\$ 2 00
Frenchton	1 00

Total for District.....\$3 00

Clarksburg District.

Goff Chapel, through Conference Envelope	\$ 1 00
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Total for District.....\$1 00

Charleston District.

Hartford City, through Conference Envelope	\$ 1 00
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Total for District.....\$1 00

Total for Conference.....\$659 56

Increase over last year.....67 51

MRS. F. HEERMANS, Conference Secretary.

Missionary Appropriations.

The Committee on Missions offer the following report:

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.		GUYANDOTTE DISTRICT.	
Burton	\$100 00	District	\$250 00
Tunnelton	100 00	Milton	100 00
	\$200 00	Cassville	125 00
		Ceredo	90 00
PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.		Coal River	50 00
Elizabeth circuit	\$ 40 00	Fairfield	75 00
Pleasants	40 00	Guyandotte	50 00
Volcano	30 00	Hamlin	75 00
Parkersburg mission	100 00	Laurel	25 00
	\$210 00	St. Albans	50 00
		Winfield	85 00
			\$975 00
WHEELING DISTRICT.		NEW RIVER DISTRICT.	
New Martinsville station	\$ 75 00	District	\$200 00
New Martinsville circuit	75 00	Raleigh	50 00
Fulton	50 00	Pleasant Retreat	20 00
	\$200 00	Elk River	20 00
		Logan	30 00
CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.		Flat Top	50 00
Worthington	\$ 50 00	Concord	75 00
Pine Grove	50 00	Clay	50 00
Logansport	40 00	Fayette	40 00
Wallace	50 00	Hinchman	75 00
Smithton	50 00	Boone	50 00
Farmington	30 00	Oceana	60 00
	\$270 00	Ophelia	60 00
		Mt. Cove	25 00
CHARLESTON DISTRICT.		Hinton and Coal Valley	85 00
District	\$120 00	Blue Stone	55 00
East Charleston	50 00		\$945 00
Jackson	50 00	OAKLAND DISTRICT.	
Mill Creek	75 00	Davis	\$ 50 00
Raymond	50 00	Aurora	60 00
Ripley	75 00	Pleasant Grove	40 00
Reedy	60 00	Deer Park	75 00
Walton	50 00	Randolph	60 00
	\$530 00	Hambleton	50 00
		Cranesville	25 00
BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.			\$360 00
Belington	\$ 50 00		
Canaan	50 00		
Webster	70 00		
Glady	40 00		
Glennville	35 00		
Troy	35 00		
Freemansburg	30 00		
	\$310 00		

R. H. HUGHES, Chairman.

J. LEE, Sec'y.

I hereby concur.

THOS. BOWMAN.

Secretary's Report.

Incidental Expenses.

SECRETARY'S ACCOUNT.

Receipts from Collection.....\$17 96

EXPENDITURES.

Due from last year.....\$ 8 68

Conference envelopes, postage and incidental ex... 19 84

Total Expense... ..\$28 52

\$28 52

Balance due Secretary.....\$10 56

Conference Minutes.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1885.....\$108 84

Received from Preachers at Con. and during year..... 148 16

Received from Advertisements..... 274 11

Total Receipts\$531 11

EXPENSES.

Printing 2000 copies.....\$253 50

Engraving..... 15 00

Securing Advertisements..... 12 00

Postage, wrapping, and correspondence..... 51 00

Total Expense.....\$331 50

\$331 50

Balance in Secretary's hands.....\$199 61

W. G. RHELDAFFER, Secretary.

ON Bible Cause.

Your Committee on the Bible Cause submit the following report:

Recognizing the Holy Bible as the inspired Word of God, and convinced that its general dissemination among all classes is indispensable to their being truly instructed in the knowledge of God, and in the principles of virtue and good morals, and also that the reading of the Bible alone, has been the means of the conversion and salvation of many souls, and that it cannot fail to exert a most salutary influence upon all that read it, therefore,

Resolved, That we note with sincere rejoicing the already widely extending diffusion of the Holy Scriptures, and regard with profound gratitude the present facilities afforded for supplying every family either by purchase or gift with the Word of God.

2nd, That we, as ministers, will cheerfully co-operate with any and all agencies instituted for the promotion of this good work, and urge upon our people the importance of sustaining it, both by their sympathy and their contributions, and further that we find from the report of the Bible Society that there has been considerable falling off in the contributions, therefore we earnestly urge upon all our preachers and people increased interest in this work, and to give more liberally to the promotion of this cause.

3d, That feeling the need of more Depositories throughout the State, we earnestly recommend the establishment of an increased number of the same.

C. B. MEREDITH, Chairman.

S. P. ARCHER, Secretary.

Apportionment of Benevolent Collections.

DISTRICTS.	Missionary.	Conference Claimants.	Church Extension.	Episcopacy.	Freedmen's Aid.
Morgantown.....	793 00	354 00	96 00	115 00	107 00
Wheeling.....	1751 00	830 00	224 00	269 00	250 00
Oakland.....	520 00	240 00	64 00	76 00	80 00
Clarksburg.....	793 00	354 00	96 00	115 00	100 00
Buckhannon.....	685 00	300 00	80 00	97 00	90 00
Parkersburg.....	793 00	354 00	96 00	115 00	170 00
Charleston.....	515 00	240 00	64 00	78 00	75 00
Guyandotte.....	400 00	180 00	48 00	58 00	48 00
New River.....	350 00	150 00	41 00	50 00	43 00
	6600 00	3002 00	809 00	973 00	963 00

Missionary and Other Collections.

MISSIONS.		EDUCATIONAL.	
Morgantown District	\$ 533 00	Morgantown District	\$ 62 75
Wheeling	1444 00	Wheeling	114 25
Oakland	488 00	Oakland	36 00
Clarksburg	437 00	Clarksburg	35 43
Buckhannon	384 36	Buckhannon	38 41
Parkersburg	578 00	Parkersburg	77 85
Charleston	181 00	Charleston	19 00
Guyandotte	116 80	Guyandotte	10 00
New River	93 31	New River	5 00
Total	\$4255 47	Total	\$ 398 69
Last Year	3531 82	Last Year	319 38
Increase	\$ 723 65	Increase	\$ 79 31
BISHOP'S FUND.		SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.	
Morgantown District	\$ 76 00	Morgantown District	\$ 12 00
Wheeling	151 75	Wheeling	27 00
Oakland	59 00	Oakland	9 00
Clarksburg	49 00	Clarksburg	7 00
Buckhannon	42 00	Buckhannon	9 00
Parkersburg	66 00	Parkersburg	8 00
Charleston	26 00	Charleston	5 00
Guyandotte	13 00	Guyandotte	5 00
New River	17 00	New River	2 00
Total	\$ 499 75	Total	\$ 84 00
Last Year	509 26	Last Year	80 00
Decrease	\$ 9 51	Increase	\$ 4 00
CHURCH EXTENSION.		TRACT CAUSE.	
Morgantown District	\$ 41 00	Morgantown District	\$ 11 00
Wheeling	125 00	Wheeling	27 00
Oakland	38 00	Oakland	10 00
Clarksburg	15 00	Clarksburg	6 00
Buckhannon	20 00	Buckhannon	10 00
Parkersburg	55 00	Parkersburg	11 50
Charleston	23 00	Charleston	5 00
Guyandotte	11 00	Guyandotte	3 00
New River	15 00	New River	1 50
Total	\$ 343 00	Total	\$ 85 00
Last Year	323 00	Last Year	80 11
Increase	\$ 20 00	Increase	\$ 4 89
FREEDMEN'S AID.		AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.	
Morgantown District	\$ 29 00	Morgantown District	\$ 35 00
Wheeling	109 50	Wheeling	81 27
Oakland	41 00	Oakland	14 45
Clarksburg	16 00	Clarksburg	24 50
Buckhannon	22 00	Buckhannon	20 00
Parkersburg	24 00	Parkersburg	42 27
Charleston	11 00	Charleston	46 12
Guyandotte	10 00	Guyandotte	10 00
New River	7 00	New River	16 00
Total	\$ 272 50	Total	\$ 289 61
Last Year	292 75	Last Year	249 31
Decrease	\$ 20 25	Increase	40 30
CONFERENCE SEMINARY.		GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES.	
Sutton	\$ 2 00	Morgantown District	\$ 65 00
Ellenboro	3 00	Wheeling	67 00
West Union	10 00	Oakland	46 50
Buckhannon Station	3 50	Clarksburg	40 00
Philippi	2 00	Buckhannon	43 60
Valley Mills	1 00	Parkersburg	58 10
Point Pleasant	2 00	Charleston	24 50
Hartford City	3 59	Guyandotte	13 00
Bridgeport	1 00	New River	8 80
Fairmont	3 00	Total	\$ 365 80
Smithton	1 00		
Wilsonburg	1 00		
Greene	1 00		
Cranesville	1 00		
Newburg	3 00		
Total	\$ 38 09		

J. L. CLARK,
Treasurer,

Educational Fund.

PARKERSBURG, October 1, 1887.

According to the direction of the Conference fifty dollars of the authorized loan has been paid to Brother Fletcher he giving security for the same.

During the year Brother Lowther has paid on his note, fifty dollars, leaving fifty yet to pay.

JAMES L. CLARK, Treasurer.

Permanent Fund.

PARKERSBURG, October 1, 1887.

During the year I have received from the Treasurer of the Centennial fund in notes and cash \$437.09. No other change in the funds has taken place.

The interest collected amounting to \$218.23 has been paid over to the Board of Stewards.

JAMES L. CLARK, Treasurer.

Freedmen's Aid Society.

We, your Committee on Freedmen's Aid Society, present the following report:

Not having time to examine the documents placed in our hands since noon to-day, yet knowing the importance of the Society and that it is accomplishing a great and good work and that we are promised the collections for five years for the benefit of our W. Va. Conference Seminary, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we the members of the West Virginia Conference, will put forth increased effort to bring up this collection in in our respective works during the coming Conference year.

C. E. CLARK.

W. M. P. WEEKLY, Secretary.

Parsonages and Furniture.

Your Committee on Parsonages and Furniture report the following:

WHEREAS, There are now more than one hundred and fifty

Pastoral Charges in our Conference, and nearly one-half these are without Parsonages or any suitable home for the pastor and family; therefore, be it

Resolved, That every Pastor, Official Board and Parsonage Committee put forth earnest and immediate effort to secure comfortable parsonages in suitable places, where there are none; and we further recommend that as far as possible all our parsonages be well furnished with heavy furniture.

N. H. PRINCE, Chairman.

A. L. CURTIS, Secretary.

District Conferences.

Report of the Committee to Examine Journals of District Conferences:

The Committee has examined the Journals of the District Conferences placed in their hands, namely: of the Morgantown, Oakland and Buckhannon Districts, and find that, in the main, these Journals are properly kept.

Respectfully submitted,

S. R. DAWSON, Chairman.

Presiding Elders' Accounts.

Your Committee on examining the accounts of the Presiding Elders find them properly receipted and correct.

MOORE MCNEEL, President.

S. D. TAMBLYN, Secretary.

Periodicals and Book Accounts.

Your Committee on Periodicals and Book Accounts desire to submit the following report, viz:

A careful examination of the papers, relating to our periodicals and books, show gratifying results in the increased circulation of our literature, therefore,

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, will use our persistent influence to increase the circulation of our church papers and books in the various charges assigned to us for the incoming Conference year, and that we will use exclusively our own literature in our Sunday Schools.

W. A. CHEUVRONT, President.

C. POLING, Secretary.

Observance of the Sabbath.

WHEREAS, By open gates, certain Camp Meetings in the bounds of this Conference have encouraged the profaning of the Lord's day, by the running of excursion trains on the Sabbath, therefore, be it

Resolved, 1st, That we, as members of the West Virginia Conference, will discourage both by our absence and non-co-operation all such Sabbath desecrations.

2nd, That we view with alarm the irreverence for, and wide spread desecration of the Sabbath which is imperilling our free institutions.

3d, That as Christian Ministers, our voices, during the coming year, shall utter no uncertain sound on this great question, and that we will by example discourage every form of Sabbath desecration.

F. H. J. KING, Chairman.

E. R. SKIDMORE, Secretary.

Certificate of Ordination.

This certifies that I have ordained Douglas A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Charles E. Shaw, George C. Shaw, Samuel Eli Jones, Dexter B. Orr, Lorenzo D. Haines, Daniel Smith—Local, and George W. McBride—Local, Deacons in the Church of God.

Done at Parkersburg, W. Va., Oct. 9, 1887.

THOS. BOWMAN.

This certifies that, assisted by several Elders, I have ordained Thomas E. Galway, Columbus W. Cox, George W. Kepler, Elijah R. Skidmore, David F. Carder, Silas D. Tambllyn, George W. Marston, Anderson A. Nichols, William W. King, Francis N. Lynch, William P. Daniels—Local, and James M. Blair—Local, Elders in the Church of God.

Done at Parkersburg, W. Va., Oct. 9, 1887.

THOS. BOWMAN.



Resolutions.

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be and is hereby tendered the Secretaries for the faithful discharge of their duties.

R. H. HUGHES,
J. F. CHENOWETH.
J. A. FULLERTON.

Resolved. That it is the sense of this Conference that the boundaries thereof should be so changed as to include the counties of Greenbrier, Monroe and Pocahontas.

J. F. CHENOWETH,
J. M. WARDEN,
JOSEPH LEE,
WM. G. RHELDAFFER.
C. H. LAKIN,
R. H. HUGHES.

Resolved, That the pastors in our Conference submit for the favorable consideration of the people in their respective charges, the interests of the permanent fund of this Conference, in order, 1st, To secure an intelligent understanding of its nature and purpose. 2nd, To afford men of means an opportunity to make contributions to the fund. 3d, To secure bequests to the fund from persons so circumstanced as to make it proper for them to devote their estates to such beneficent purposes.

GEO. E. HITE,
W. W. KELLY,
J. L. CLARK,
A. J. LYDA.

WHEREAS, Our dear Bro. H. J. Boatman has been transferred from this Conference to the Central Illinois Conference, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we pray for his success in his new field of work for the Lord, and regard him worthy of the fullest confidence of his new associates and co-laborers in the vineyard.

L. H. JORDAN,
L. L. STEWART,
G. ROGERS.

WHEREAS, Our brother and fellow worker, W. E. Loomis, contemplates seeking a field of labor in another conference, therefore,

Resolved, 1st, That we thankfully acknowledge his christian bearing and brotherly deportment among us as well as his valuable services to this Conference.

2nd, That we commend him to the people of our communion elsewhere in the confidence that he will maintain among them the unblemished christian character and the record of faithful and successful work which characterized him among us.

W. W. KELLY,
L. L. STEWART.

Resolved, That in this, his second official visit to our Conference, Bishop Bowman, by his able and generous administration, his very kind words of encouragement, his true Christian bearing, has very much endeared himself to all our hearts, and we will be much pleased to see him return again at any time to the West Virginia Conference as our presiding Bishop.

JOSEPH LEE,
J. A. FULLERTON,
C. E. CLARK.

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, return our thanks to the Rev. W. E. Loomis for the faithful, efficient and satisfactory arrangements which he has made for our entertainment and accommodation during the session of Conference.

W. WIRT KING,
J. ENGLE,
J. W. W. BOLTON.

Resolved, That we return our thanks to the people of this city for their hospitality, and for the royal way in which they have entertained us, and for the efforts which they have made to make our visit to them pleasant and profitable.

W. WIRT KING,
J. ENGLE,
J. W. W. BOLTON.

Resolved, That this Conference return its thanks to the Baltimore & Ohio, the Ohio River, the Weston & Glenville, and the Grafton & Greenbrier Railroads for the reduced rates of passage over them to and from Conference.

W. WIRT KING,
B. ISON,
J. ENGLE.

MINUTES
OF THE
Fifth Electoral Conference.
First Day.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Oct. 7, 1887.

The Fifth Electoral Conference of Laymen of the Annual Conference of West Virginia convened in the Methodist Episcopal Church in Parkersburg, on the 7th day of October, 1887, at 9:15 o'clock A. M., and was called to order by Geo. W. Taggart, of Parkersburg, who nominated B. F. Martin, of Grafton, as the temporary Chairman. A vote taken resulted in the election by a unanimous vote.

On motion of Geo. W. Atkinson, John T. Cowl, of Wheeling, was elected temporary Secretary.

The Chairman expressed his thanks to the Conference for the honor conferred, and requested the Conference to join him in prayer.

On motion, the members representing the several Presiding Elder Districts, retired and submitted the names of four persons to represent them on the several committees, viz: Committee on Credentials, Committee on Permanent Organization, Committee on Order of Business, Committee on Resolutions.

T. C. Hannis, of Guyandotte District, being the only Delegate present from the District, a motion placing him on all the four committees was adopted.

On motion the Conference took a recess for fifteen minutes.

Upon reassembling, the roll of the Districts was called by the Chairman, and the Chairman of each District responded as viz:

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Buckhannon District, Leeper Rogers.
Charleston District, J. J. White.
Clarksburg District, Mansfield McWhorter.
Guyandotte District, T. C. Hannis.
Oakland District, Wm. Verdon.
Morgantown District, J. E. Price.
New River District, A. V. Gross.
Parkersburg District, Jacob Clammer.
Wheeling District, T. P. Jacobs.

COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

Buckhannon District, Joseph Teeter,
Charleston District, W. T. Hutchinson.
Clarksburg District, A. F. Hamilton.

Guyandotte District, T. C. Hannis.
 Oakland District, D. J. Gibson.
 Morgantown District, J. E. Hagans.
 New River District, Hiram Lewis.
 Parkersburg District, R. E. Billingsley.
 Wheeling District, Geo. W. Atkinson.

COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Buckhannon District, H. F. Hughes.
 Charleston District, M. W. Atkinson.
 Clarksburg District, B. D. Rider.
 Guyandotte District, T. C. Hannis.
 Oakland District, H. E. Friend.
 Morgantown District, P. F. Harner.
 New River District, W. T. Timberlake.
 Parkersburg District, Joseph McGregor.
 Wheeling District, E. Bonar.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Buckhannon District, A. B. Meadows.
 Charleston District, H. C. McWhorter.
 Clarksburg District, Dr. J. B. Conway.
 Guyandotte District, T. C. Hannis.
 Oakland District, J. W. Hardesty.
 Morgantown District, S. W. Hartley.
 New River District, J. G. Fugate.
 Parkersburg District, A. H. Cole.
 Wheeling District, W. A. Wilson.

A motion to adjourn until 2 o'clock was offered but was amended by H. D. McGregor to strike out two and insert 1:30. After remarks by several members of the Conference, the amendment was withdrawn. A vote being taken on the original motion it was adopted.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Lay Delegate Conference convened again at 2 o'clock in the audience room of the M. E. Church and was called to order by the Chairman, B. F. Martin.

The first order of business being the reports of the several committees, the Committee on Permanent organization submitted their report as follows:

For Chairman, B. F. Martin, Grafton, W. Va.

For Secretary, John T. Cowl, Wheeling, W. Va.

For Assistant Secretary, Hiram Lewis, Pleasant Retreat.

On motion, the report of Committee on Permanent organization was unanimously adopted.

The Committee on order of Business, reported as the order the following, which was adopted:

1st. Report of Committee on Credentials.

2nd. " " Permanent organization.

3rd. " " Resolutions.

4th. Election of Lay Delegates to General Conference.

5th. General Business.

6th. Fraternal Greetings with Ministerial Brethren.

The reading of the report of the Committee on Credentials then followed, showing the following members present and entitled to seats in this Lay Conference.

Buckhannon District.—L. L. Rogers, A. B. Meadows, J. N. Bush, Joseph Teeter, R. V. Rexroad, Arnold Wilmoth, H. F. Hughes, A. H. Kunst, Benj. Hamrick, Martin Talbott, P. M. Boggess, H. Colerider and Charles Talbott.

Charleston District.—W. L. McCoy, H. C. McWhorter, Jas. Kennedy, J. S. Jenkins, M. W. Atkinson, E. McRa, John Kester, J. J. White, W. T. Hutchinson and A. E. Edwards.

Clarksburg District.—B. D. Rider, R. Haymond, A. Vincent, C. W. Lynch, Mansfield McWhorter, Jefferson Robinson, A. D. Ney, T. A. Jones, A. F. Hamilton, J. M. Satterfield, P. W. Ash, J. Foreman, I. S. Walter and J. B. Conway.

Guyandotte District.—T. C. Hannis and A. B. Wilcox.

New River District.—Hiram Lewis, W. T. Timberlake, A. V. Gross and J. G. Fugate.

Oakland District.—D. J. Gibson, A. Wolf, William Verdon, H. E. Friend, Joseph M. Shaw, J. W. Hardesty, John M. Davis, O. L. Lockwood and J. J. Wolf.

Morgantown District.—J. E. Price, C. Jacobs, B. F. Martin, J. E. Hagans, S. A. Carney, W. N. Stewart, J. C. Cartright, S. W. Hartley, Smith Crane and P. F. Harner.

Parkersburg District.—G. W. Tagart, James Harris, A. H. Cole, D. W. Ash, H. W. Plumly, Benson Athey, R. E. Billingsley, N. E. Duckworth, H. N. Crooks, Lemuel Deem, Isaac Wagner, Josephus Roberts, Joseph McGregor, B. J. Kelley and Jacob Clammer.

Wheeling District.—A. L. Pelley, Alfred McKeag, H. P. McGregor, J. C. Bardall, W. A. Wilson, G. W. Atkinson, T. P. Jacobs, J. M. Blair, Samuel Dorsey, Joseph Hart, E. Bonar, R. B. Criswell, S. Grissell, C. D. Hubbard, Abraham McCulloch and John T. Cowl.

The reading of the report of the Committee on Resolutions, was on motion postponed for the present.

The Chairman, then read the old familiar Hymn, "There is a fountain filled with blood," which was heartily sung by all present, after which Dr. Alex. Martin, of Greencastle, Ind., led in prayer.

The Chairman then addressed the Conference in a few well chosen and appropriate remarks, thanking them for the honor conferred in selecting him as their permanent presiding officer expressed the hope that the work of the Conference might result in good to the Church, and the cause of Christ throughout the State and the world.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was then read, and upon motion was unanimously adopted. The report is as follows :

Desecration of the Sabbath.

WHEREAS, we believe the desecration of the Sabbath day in our midst, is a growing evil, and one that is doing great harm to the cause of Christianity, and believing that measures should be adopted to put a stop to it, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to a more rigid observance of the christian Sabbath and to do all in our power as a church and people to correct said evil.

The Ministry.

WHEREAS, we believe our ministers as a rule are underpaid for their services, and that in many cases do not receive enough to provide for their actual wants, therefore,

Resolved, That we promise a more liberal support to the ministers in our Conference, and that we will do all in our power to increase the average salary, and to educate the membership to give according to their ability.

Education.

Resolved, That the educational interest of the West Virginia Conference, deserves a more active support on the part of the Laity of the church and that this Electoral Conference, heartily commends the action of the Annual Conference in the establishment of the Conference Seminary, and we hereby pledge our support to that institution.

Church Papers and Periodicals.

Resolved, That we appreciate the vast good being done through the medium of our church papers and periodicals, and recommend to our people a more liberal patronage of these great church educators.

Temperance.

Resolved, That the submission to the people, by the legislature, of a Prohibitory Amendment to our State constitution is an advance step in the cause of Temperance, and that we pledge ourselves to use all honorable means to secure its ratification at the polls in November 1888. That we heartily commend to our people "Par. 554" of our church discipline on this subject.

W. C. T. U.

Resolved, That we cheerfully recognize the grand work being accomplished in the elevation of our race by that noble band of christian workers the W. C. T. U., and we pledge our moral and material support in aid of their efforts.

Sunday Schools

We recognize the great importance of the Sunday School work in our societies, and look forward to greater results in the future from this grand auxiliary, therefore,

Resolved, That we pledge our individual help and support to the Sunday School work, and we urge upon our ministers the importance of keeping the work prominently before the people,

and insisting upon the provisions of our discipline being carried out in the Sunday School work.

A communication from W. G. Riheldaffer, Secretary of the Annual Conference was read requesting the assistance of this body in the publication of the minutes by subscribing for one or more copies, each member giving his name, postoffice address, and number of copies desired.

A motion prevailed, that each delegate report to the Secretary of this Conference the number of copies desired by them.

The Chairman announced the next business in order to be the election of two delegates to the General Conference to be held in May, 1888, also two reserve delegates.

On motion of H. P. McGregor, the Conference proceeded to the election of the Lay Delegates, without consuming the time in nomination.

A motion to drop the lowest candidate after the first ballot, was withdrawn.

The Chairman appointed W. A. Wilson, of Wheeling, and C. W. Lynch, of Clarksburg, tellers. The ballot resulted as follows:

G. W. Atkinson received	40 votes.
J. Teeter	8 "
T. P. Jacobs	4 "
Samuel Woods	8 "
A. J. Boreman	35 "
H. C. McWhorter	15 "
J. C. Bardall	22 "
B. F. Martin	16 "
Frank Woods	1 "
W. T. W. Barb	1 "
John Davis	6 "
Geo. C. Sturgiss	6 "
T. H. Logan	1 "
A. F. Hamilton	1 "
C. W. Lynch	3 "
R. B. Taylor	1 "
W. A. Wilson	2 "
H. P. McGregor	1 "
J. B. Conway	1 "

Whole number of votes cast 91. No one having received a majority of votes cast, the Chairman ordered the second ballot.

The second ballot resulting as follows:

G. W. Atkinson received	58 votes.
J. Teeter	4 "
T. P. Jacobs	3 "
Samuel Woods	18 "
A. I. Boreman	46 "
H. C. McWhorter	15 "
J. C. Bardall	21 "
B. F. Martin	10 "
John Davis	2 "
Geo. C. Sturgiss	2 "
A. F. Hamilton	1 "
C. W. Lynch	1 "
W. A. Wilson	1 "
H. P. McGregor	1 "

Whole number of votes cast 91, necessary to a choice 46.

George W. Atkinson and A. I. Boreman, having received the requisite number of votes, the Chairman declared them elected, as the Lay delegates.

A ballot was then taken for the two reserve Delegates, resulting as follows:

Geo. C. Sturgiss received	10 votes.
H. C. McWhorter	34 "
W. T. W. Barb	1 "
Samuel Woods	27 "
Hiram Lewis	2 "
J. C. Bardall	46 "
R. Haymond	1 "
C. W. Lynch	3 "
W. A. Wilson	1 "
G. W. Tagart	4 "
B. F. Martin	26 "
T. P. Jacobs	5 "
Smith Crane	1 "
George W. Woods	1 "
J. M. Davis	6 "
J. Teeter	2 "
Frank Woods	1 "
A. L. Pelley	1 "
G. L. Woods	1 "
H. P. McGregor	1 "
J. T. Hickman	1 "
J. Alex. Ewing	1 "

Whole number of votes 88, necessary to a choice 45. J. C. Bardall, of Moundsville having received 46 votes was declared elected as the reserve delegate for Geo. W. Atkinson.

H. C. McWhorter having received the next highest number of votes, he was, on motion, declared elected as the reserve delegate for A. I. Boreman.

A motion prevailed, making the special order of business to-morrow morning after the opening services, a subscription for the West Virginia Conference Seminary fund.

On motion of H. C. McWhorter, a committee of three were appointed by the Chairman to bear Fraternal Greetings to the A. M. E. Conference now in session in this city.

H. C. McWhorter, George W. Atkinson and J. C. Bardall were named as the committee.

A motion was offered and carried that the Chairman be added to the committee.

On motion Conference adjourned to meet at 9 A. M. to-morrow morning.

Second Day.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Oct. 8, 1887.

Pursuant to adjournment the Lay Delegate Conference convened at 9:15 o'clock A. M., B. F. Martin, Chairman, presiding. After singing one verse of the hymn beginning, "A charge to

keep I have," the Conference was led in prayer by Dr. A. J. Lyda of the Annual conference.

On motion a committee of three, consisting of A. L. Pelley, G. W. Atkinson and A. L. Wade, were appointed to wait on the Ministerial Conference, and ascertain at what time it would be their pleasure, to receive this body.

The business set for this morning was then taken up. Dr. A. J. Lyda addressed the Conference in behalf of the Conference Seminary, and asked a liberal subscription by the members.

Several subscriptions were made, and the names and amounts were handed to Dr. A. J. Lyda.

Dr. J. W. Webb, Dr. James L. Clark and Rev. B. Ison, were then introduced as the committee from the Annual Conference notifying this body, that it would be their pleasure to receive a visit from this Lay Conference at any time that would be most suitable to this body.

Dr. Webb extended the invitation on the part of the committee, adding a few appropriate remarks.

In response to the invitation of the Fraternal delegates the Electoral Conference proceeded in a body to the Annual Conference then in session.

Bishop Bowman introduced to the Conference B. F. Martin, Chairman of the Lay Delegate Conference, who in turn presented the members of the Electoral Conference.

The Annual Conference was then addressed by B. F. Martin on behalf of the Electoral Conference.

We come to-day bearing the olive branch of Peace. We bring to you our Fraternal greetings, and say that we are with you earnestly in this work hand to hand, shoulder to shoulder and heart to heart.

We are sorry that our purses are not full, in order that we could bring a testimonial of that description. (A rather descriptive retrospect of the past, and comparison of the present condition of the Church was here given.)

We trust that our monuments shall not be as the monuments of war. We have as our monuments churches, whose spires point heavenward, churches that are full of glory. While you preach and pray, may we both pay and pray, especially the pay.

An honored tribute to the ministerial brethren was paid by the President.

The sacrifice made by these men was evident, when we consider the small amounts received by some of these men of God for the services of an entire year. Let us go to our homes, my brethren, determined to increase our contributions for the support of the ministry.

The response to the Fraternal greeting was made by Dr. J. W. W. Bolton on behalf of the Annual Conference as follows:

The import of this hour, its good will, its mission, will tell not only in the State, but throughout the entire country.

We as Methodists, are so spreading abroad that the sun sets

not upon us, and may our hearts not be obscured from the Sun of Righteousness.

You come bearing the olive branch of peace. We meet you to-day, as members of the same "Grand Army" marching under the same banner.

The question of the admission of Lay delegation was in a manner an experiment of the law making department of our Church, but as we are united, the life, the interest and responsibilities can be borne together, we are dwelling together in Unity, may we be brought closer together in this grand cause. You have been here, and you go home I trust with the determination to work with renewed interest. Each Layman is a pivotal man representing your circuit or station.

May God inspire us all together so that the work may be accomplished. This is the day of work, of toil, fears and hopes, but the hand that has guided, and is still guiding, is the hand of Calvary. While sitting in this House of God may we be blessed with the power of God. When we shall have passed through the trials and tribulations, I trust we shall meet in the beyond. We bring to you a common blessing.

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow," was sung, after which the Electoral Conference withdrew in a body to the lecture room of the Church, and proceeded to business.

A resolution was offered tendering the thanks of this Electoral Conference to the citizens of Parkersburg for their special kindness and attention in providing for the entertainment of the members of this Lay Delegate Conference.

Several additional subscriptions to the Conference Seminary fund were then made, making the total amount subscribed at the sessions of the Lay Delegate Conference as follows :

P. M. Boggess, \$100.00; W. A. Wilson, \$100.00; G. W. Atkinson, \$100.00; H. C. McWhorter, \$100.00; D. J. Gibson, \$20.00; W. T. Timberlake, \$20.00; A. E. Edwards, \$15.00; J. J. White, \$15.00; John Kester, \$10.00; William Verdon, \$1.00; S. W. Hartley, \$15.00. Total \$496.00.

(At the Annual Conference on Thursday a subscription was taken for this fund, and many Lay Delegates being present made their subscriptions at that time, and this will account for the small amount subscribed in the Electoral Conference. Secretary).

A motion prevailed that when we adjourn we unite in singing the old battle Hymn "Am I a soldier of the Cross."

On motion the Secretary read the minutes of the entire session, and they were adopted as read.

The business of the Lay Delegate Conference having been concluded, "Am I a soldier of the Cross," was sung at the conclusion of which the Chairman declared the Electoral Conference of 1887 adjourned *sine die*.

BENJ. F. MARTIN, Grafton, W. Va., Chairman.

JOHN T. COWL, Wheeling, W. Va., Secretary.

Conference Biography.

NAMES.	Year Born.	Where Born.	Age Converted.	Former Occupation.	Year Entered Itinerancy.		First Conference Joined.	Year entered West Va. Conference.		When Ordained.		Mode of Entering West Virginia Conference.	No. of Years.					Present Conference Relation.
					On Trial.	Full Connection.		Year entered West Va. Conference.	Deacon.	Elder.	Located.		Superannuated.	Presiding Elder.	Effective.	Delegate to General Conference.		
Allemon, C S.....	1844	Virginia	...	Physician	1871	1873	West Va.....	1871	1873	1875	On Trial.....	.....	.....	17	.....	Effective		
Archer, S P.....	1866	Ohio.....	16	Teacher	1884	1886	"	1884	1886	.....	" .....	.....	.....	3	.....	"		
Ash, D L.....	1855	Virginia	19	Farmer	1878	1880	"	1878	1880	.....	" .....	.....	.....	7	.....	"		
Baumgardner, N L.....	1842	Maryland	19	"	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	" .....	.....	.....	18	.....	"		
Bolton, J W W.....	1834	Virginia	19	Teacher	1857	1859	"	1857	1859	1861	"	5	3	24	1	"		
Brooks, R.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Superannuated		
Brooks, R L.....	1810	Virginia	22	Carpenter	1846	1848	Ohio.....	1848	.....	1848	By Division.....	.....	50	16	.....	"		
Boreman, J S.....	1855	"	18	Farmer	1881	1883	West Va.....	1881	1883	1886	On Trial.....	.....	.....	6	.....	Effective		
Birkett, John.....	1818	England	19	"	1845	1847	Pittsburgh..	1848	1847	1849	When organized by division...	.....	.....	6	.....	Superannuated		
Carrico, W D.....	1822	Virginia.....	14	"	1866	1873	West Va.....	1866	1863	1873	On Trial.....	.....	.....	21	.....	Effective		
Carroll, J T.....	1827	"	16	"	1853	1855	"	1853	1855	1873	"	18	.....	15	.....	Superannuated		
Chenoweth, J F.....	1849	"	18	"	1871	1873	"	1871	1873	1875	" .....	.....	.....	16	.....	Effective		
Cheuvront, W A.....	1850	"	15	"	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	" .....	.....	.....	13	.....	"		
Chidester, T W.....	1848	"	20	"	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	" .....	.....	.....	10	.....	"		
Clark, J L.....	1814	Maryland	6	Merchant.....	1841	1843	Pittsburgh..	1848	1843	1845	Assisted in its organization...	.....	.....	12	45	"		
Cool, D.....	1837	Virginia	15	Farmer	1858	1860	West Va.....	1858	1860	1862	On Trial.....	.....	.....	28	.....	"		
Cotton, T.....	1829	England	21	Merchant.....	1872	1874	Mississippi..	1876	1872	1874	On Credentials.....	.....	.....	15	.....	"		
Cottrill, F.....	1860	Virginia	16	Farmer	1881	1883	West Va.....	1881	1883	.....	On Trial.....	.....	.....	6	.....	"		
Crosfield, G.....	1821	England	18	Merchant.....	1849	1852	Niagara.....	1872	1849	1852	Transfer.....	2	6	29	1	Superannuated		
Curtis, A L.....	1854	Virginia	12	Farmer	1879	.....	West Va.....	1879	.....	.....	On Trial.....	.....	2	6	.....	Effective		
Carter, D F.....	1851	"	16	"	1883	1885	"	1883	1885	.....	" .....	.....	.....	4	.....	"		
Cox, C W.....	1854	"	16	Teacher	1883	1885	"	1883	1885	.....	" .....	.....	.....	4	.....	"		
Cross, Levi.....	1836	"	16	Farmer .....	.....	.....	U. B.....	1884	.....	1878	On Credentials.....	.....	.....	13	.....	"		
Darlington, B.....	1819	"	16	Mechanic	1859	1861	West Va.....	1859	1858	1861	On Trial.....	.....	.....	28	.....	"		
Davis, J T.....	1837	Penn	10	Teacher	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1875	"	5	.....	16	.....	"		
Dolliver, J J.....	1810	New York.....	26	Merchant.....	1843	1845	Ohio.....	1848	1845	1847	Assisted in its organization...	1	6	238	.....	Superannuated		
Dryden, M F.....	1856	Maryland	21	Teacher	1881	1883	West Va.....	1881	1883	.....	On Trial.....	.....	.....	6	.....	Effective		
Engle, J.....	1837	Penn	10	Book-keeper.....	1876	1878	W. Va.....	1876	1878	1880	" .....	.....	.....	41	.....	"		
Eichelberger, J T.....	1838	Virginia		Teacher	1872	1874		1872	1874	1878	"	2		41		"		
Feather, J B.....	1833	"	17	Farmer	1854	1856	West Va.....	1854	1856	1858	"	1		32		"		

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					On Trial.	Full Connection.			Year entered.	Deacon.		Elder.	Located.	Supernumerary.	Superannuated.	
Ford, F G W	1833	Virginia	20	Farmer	1874	1876	West Va.	1874	1871	1877	On Trial	1	1	2	14	Effective
Fullerton, J A	1850	Ireland	17		1872	1874	Central Pa.	1872	1872	1875	Transfer	1	1	2	16	"
Faulkner, T R	1844	Kentucky	17	Farmer	1871	1873		1871	1873	1875	On Trial	1	1	2	14	"
Friend, D A	1847	Maryland	18	Teacher	1882	1884	West Va.	1882	1883	1886		1	1	2	14	"
Graham, C B	1850	Virginia	19	Merchant	1879		"	1879			"	1	1	2	5	"
Grimes, G W	1854	Ohio	22	Teacher	1881	1883	"	1881	1883		"	1	1	2	8	"
Galway, T E	1851	Penn	31	R. R. Conduc'r	1883	1885	"	1883	1885		"	1	1	2	4	"
Hammond, D S	1850	Virginia	23	Farmer	1876	1878	"	1876	1878	1880	"	1	1	2	11	"
Hess, J H	1851	Maryland	16	Blacksmith	1875	1877	"	1875	1877	1878	"	1	1	2	13	"
Hess, J W	1853	Virginia	21	Farmer	1869	1871	"	1869	1871	1873	"	3	1	2	16	"
Hitchens, S	1840	England	12	"	1860	1862	"	1860	1862	1864	"	11	1	2	15	"
Hite, G E	1851	Virginia	19	Teacher	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	"		4	16		Supernumerary
Hughes, R H	1846	"	18	Farmer	1870	1873	"	1878	1873	1882	"		3	16		Effective
Hunter, W	1858	"	16	"	1881	1883	"	1881	1883		"			6		"
Hennon, W R	1857	Penn	13	"	1882	1884	"	1882	1884	1886	"			5		"
Jones, S E	1846	England	26	Teacher	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	"			14		"
Jordan, L H	1836	New York	19	"	1868	1870	"	1868	1870	1872	"			18		"
Kelley W W	1838	Virginia	14	"	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1870	"			21		"
King, F H J	1834	"	17	Farmer	1857	1859	"	1857	1859	1861	"			4	22	1
Lakin, C H	1838	Ohio	20	"	1865	1867	"	1865	1867	1869	"			4	27	
Lee, Joseph	1847	Ireland	15	Merchant	1873	1875	"	1873	1873	1876	"			2	15	
Lovett, W E	1835	Maryland	19	Lieut. Vol. Cav.	1872	1874	"	1872	1873	1876	"			16		"
Mahone, B D	1849	Virginia	17	Farmer	1876	1878	"	1876	1876	1880	"			11		"
Martin, G	1815	"	16	"	1837	1839	Pittsburgh.	1848	1839	1841	When organized by division			15	50	3
Matheny, G W	1838	"	15	"	1865	1867	West Va.	1865	1867	1869	On Trial			9	14	
Meredith, C B	1850	"	23	Mechanic	1881	1883	"	1881	1883		"			6		"
McGinnis, D A	1822	"	17	Teacher	1846	1848	Ohio	1848	1848	1850	When organized by division			24	7	
Mick, A	1849	"	14	Farmer	1872	1875	West Va.	1772	1875	1877	On Trial			15		"
Miles, H H	1844	Ohio	18	Marble Cutter	1874	1877	Sciota	1881		1877	On Orders			12		"
Moore, A	1861	Virginia	18	Farmer	1881	1883	West Va.	1881	1883		On Trial			6		"

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				On Trial.	Full Connection.			Deacon.	Elder.		Located.	Superannuated.	Presiding Elder.	Effective.	Delegates to General Conference.	
Mays, P. C.	1850	West Va.	17 Farmer	1882	1884	West Va.	1882	1884	1886	On Trial	5					Effective
Nichols, A. A.	1849	"	20 "	1883	1885	"	1883	1885	1887	"						"
Northcraft, R.	1818	Maryland	14 "	1853	1855	"	1853	1853	1857	"	10					Superannuated
Orwen, E. H.	1839	New York	18 Teacher	1858	1860	Oneida	1878	1860	1862	On Credentials						Effective
Perry, A. D.	1848	Virginia	18 Carpenter	1874	1876	West Va.	1874	1876	1879	On Trial						"
Prickett, S. B. D.	1840	Georgia	17 Clerk	1867	1869	"	1867	1869	1871	"						"
Pribble, U.	1833	Virginia	20 Teacher	1858	1860	"	1858	1860	1862	"	14					"
Price, C. J.	1856	"	12 "	1877	1878	"	1877	1878	1880	"						"
Poling, Cyrus.	1850	West Va.	22 Teacher	1877	1879	"	1877	1879	1881	"	1	1				"
Rexroad, J. C.	1843	Virginia	23 Farmer	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	"		1				"
Rider, M. W.	1842	"	9 "	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1870	"						"
Riheldaffer, W. G.	1846	"	17 Mechanic	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	"						"
Rogers, G.	1842	"	10 Farmer	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1871	"						"
Ryan, T. P.	1823	"	3 "	1873	1875	"	1873	1875	1877	"						"
Roberts, L. W.	1852	"	15 Teacher	1873	1881	"	1879	1881	1876	On Credentials						"
Rogers, B. F.	1829	"	19 Farmer	1859	1861	"	1859	1861	1863	On Trial						"
Randolph, R. F.	1846	New York	10 "	1871	1873	erie.	1885	1873	1875	"						"
Rohrbough, A. B.	1836	West Va.	17 Farmer	1858	1860	West Va.	1858	1860	1872	Transfer						"
Scott, H.	1842	Virginia	23 "	1876	1877	"	1876	1876	1879	On Trial						Superannuated
Shaw, W. H.	1836	"	14 "	1856	1858	"	1856	1858	1860	"	3	5	6			Effective
Shackelford, C. R.	1847	Mississippi	19 "	1876	1877	"	1876	1877	1879	"						"
Sharpes, W. J.	1836	Virginia	17 Teacher	1869	1871	"	1869	1871	1873	"						"
Snodgrass, J. F.	1828	"	26 Farmer	1871	1873	"	1871	1866	1870	"	2					"
Stevens, A.	1819	"	16 Teacher	1848	1850	"	1848	1850	1852	"						"
Stewart, L. L.	1845	Penn.	16 Farmer	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	"						Superannuated
Skidmore, E. R.	1859	West Va.	17 Teacher	1883	1885	"	1883	1885		"						Effective
Trainor, T. H.	1820	Virginia	20 Mechanic	1853	1857	"	1853	1855	1857	"						"
Trippett, C. J.		"	24 Farmer	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	"						Superannuated
Taylor, Marion	1845	Ohio	25 Teacher			M. E. Ch., S.	1884	1872	1874	On Credentials						Effective
Upton, C. W.	1843	Virginia	18 Merchant	1871	1879	West Va.	1877	1870	1879	On Trial						"

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					On Trial.	Full Con- nec- tion.			Deacon.	Elder.		Located.	Superannu- ary.	Superannuated.	Presiding Elder. Effective.	Delegate to Gen- eral Conference.		
Wallace, R. M.....	1817	Penn.....	16	Carpenter.....	1854	.....	West Va.....	1854	.....	.....	On Trial.....	.....	3	.....	.....	33	.....	Superannuated
Warman, C.....	1844	Virginia.....	7	Teacher.....	1875	1877	"	1875	1874	1878	"	.....	.....	12	.....	13	.....	Effective
Warden, J. M.....	1833	"	18	Farmer.....	1860	1863	"	1860	1863	1865	"	.....	.....	3	.....	27	.....	"
Welch, R. S.....	1821	"	19	Teacher.....	.....	1855	M. P. C. W. Va	1855	1857	1859	Received from M. P. Church.	.....	.....	3	.....	23	.....	"
Webb, J. W.....	1826	"	15	"	1854	1856	West Va.....	1854	1856	1858	On Trial.....	.....	.....	8	.....	33	.....	"
West, J. B.....	1799	"	21	.....	1822	1824	Baltimore....	1822	1824	1826	Tran'r when W. Va. was org'd	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
White, W. R.....	1820	Dis. of Colu'a	18	Teacher.....	1844	1846	"	1844	1846	1848	Transfer.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	Superannuated
Williams, G. H.....	1844	Virginia.....	25	Farmer.....	1874	1876	West Va.....	1874	1876	1877	On Trial.....	.....	1	.....	.....	13	.....	Effective
Williams, J. A.....	1816	"	21	"	1848	1852	"	1848	1844	1848	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Superannuated
Woodruff, E. C.....	1844	Penn.....	9	Teacher.....	1869	1871	"	1859	1871	1876	"	.....	1	.....	.....	17	.....	Effective
Ward, R. B.....	1860	West Va.....	16	"	1882	1884	"	1882	1884	1886	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	"

NOTE.—Members whose names do not appear, please send Biography to the Secretary sometime during the year.

Directory.

Supernumerary and Superannuated Preachers.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

NAMES.	POST-OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CON- NECTED WITH.
S. R. Dawson	Ellenboro	Ritchie	W. Va.	Ellenboro
S. Hitchens	Morgantown	Monongalia.	"	Morgantown
W. G. Matton	High Point		N. C.	
W. E. Loomis				
R. L. Woodyard	Parkersburg	Wood	W. Va.	Valley Mills

SUPERANNUATES.

NAMES.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CON- NECTED WITH.
D. S. Benedum	Cherry Camp	Harrison	W. Va.	Cherry Camp
John Birkett	Holton		Kan.	Holton
Robert Brooks	St. Albans	Kanawha	W. Va.	St. Albans
R. L. Brooks	Selbyville	Upshur	"	Canaan
George Crosfield	Berkley Sp'gs.	Morgan	"	Berkley Spr'gs.
J. T. Carroll	Charleston	Kanawha	"	Coal River
J. J. Dolliver	Ft. Dodge	Webster	Iowa	Fort Dodge
Benj. Hagar	Charleston	Kanawha	W. Va.	Charleston
L. E. Leslie	Oak Hill	Fayette	"	Fayette
D. A. McGinnis	Mole Hill	Ritchie	"	Centreville
M. McNeel	Smithville	"	"	Smithville
R. Northcraft	Ritchie C. H.	"	"	Harrisville
J. B. Pinchen	West Milford	Harrison	"	West Milford
John W. Reger	Buckhannon	Upshur	"	Buckhannon
V. Sanford	Charleston	Kanawha	"	Charleston
H. Scott	Malden	"	"	Malden
A. Stevens	Palatine	Marion	"	Palatine
T. H. Trainer				
J. B. West	Sisterville	Tyler	"	Sistersville
Wm. Wriston	Mossey	Fayette	"	Fayette
J. A. Williams	West Milford	Harrison	"	West Milford
R. M. Wallace	Clarksburg	"	"	Clarksburg

Sessions of the W. Va. Annual Conference.

No.	YEAR.	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1	1848	July 4	Wheeling	Hamline	Charles Cook
2	1849	October 5	Clarksburg	Waugh	Alex. Martin
3	1850	June 5	Parkersburg	Janes	Alex. Martin
4	1851	June 4	Charleston	Morris	Alex. Martin
5	1852	June 10	Morgantown	*Simpson	Alex. Martin
6	1853	June 8	Weston	Baker	Alex. Martin
7	1854	May 30	Fairmont	Scott	Alex. Martin
8	1855	May 31	Wheeling	Morris	Alex. Martin
9	1856	June 12	Buckhannon	Ames	S. R. Dawson
10	1857	April 16	Moundsville	Simpson	S. R. Dawson
11	1858	April 15	Charleston	Ames	S. R. Dawson
12	1859	April 20	Parkersburg	Morris	S. R. Dawson
13	1860	March 14	Morgantown	Scott	S. R. Dawson
14	1861	March 13	Wheeling	Baker	Samuel Steele
15	1862	March 12	Parkersburg	Scott	Samuel Steele
16	1863	March 18	Fairmont	Morris	Alex. Martin
17	1864	March 16	Parkersburg	Morris	Alex. Martin
18	1865	March 8	Wheeling	Janes	Alex. Martin
19	1866	March 21	Morgantown	Clark	Alex. Martin
20	1867	March 14	Catlettsburg, Ky	Thomson	Alex. Martin
21	1868	March 11	Moundsville	Kingsley	Samuel Steele
22	1869	March 11	Clarksburg	Ames	Alex. Martin
23	1870	March 10	Charleston	Thomson	J. L. Clark
24	1871	March 9	Parkersburg	Clark	J. L. Clark
25	1872	March 6	Wheeling	Simpson	J. L. Clark
26	1873	March 5	Guyandotte	Andrews	J. L. Clark
27	1874	March 11	Fairmont	Scott	J. L. Clark
28	1875	March 3	Point Pleasant	Bowman	J. L. Clark
29	1876	March 15	Wheeling	Harris	J. L. Clark
30	1877	March 11	Grafton	Ames	J. L. Clark
31	1877	October 4	Charleston	Scott	J. L. Clark
32	1878	October 10	Parkersburg	Harris	Geo. C. Wilding
33	1879	October 1	Morgantown	Simpson	Geo. C. Wilding
34	1880	October 14	Huntington	Peck	Geo. C. Wilding
35	1881	October 5	Moundsville	Foster	Geo. C. Wilding
36	1882	October 4	Clarksburg	Andrews	Geo. C. Wilding
37	1883	October 10	Wheeling	Harris	Geo. C. Wilding
38	1884	October 1	Buckhannon	Walden	Geo. C. Wilding
39	1885	September 24	Charleston	Merrill	W. G. Riheldaffer
40	1886	September 23	Morgantown	Mallalieu	W. G. Riheldaffer
41	1887	October 5	Parkersburg	Bowman	W. G. Riheldaffer

*This was the first Conference held by Bishop Simpson.

Widows who are Conference Claimants.

No.	NAMES.	POST-OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
1	S. Burns	Troy	Miami	Ohio
2	Marie L. Battelle	Covington	Kenton	Kentucky
3	Ellen Irwin	Fairmont	Marion	West Virginia
4	Sarah F. Blundon	Charleston	Kanawha	"
5	Eliza J. Richmond	Dallas	Marshall	"
6	Selina Monroe	Point Pleasant	Mason	"
7	Laura Heatherly	Round Bottom	Wayne	"
8	Sidney Weaver	Bridgeton		New Jersey
9	Jane Parriott	Cameron	Marshall	West Virginia
10	Eluonah Young	French Creek	Upshur	"
11	Mary C. Heaston	Connotton	Harrison	Ohio
12	Sadie E. Beckley	Falls	Wayne	West Virginia
13	Mrs. J. S. Laughlin	Deer Park	Garrett	Maryland
14	Victoria Steele	Buckhannon	Upshur	West Virginia
15	Margaret Conner	Monndsville	Marshall	"
16	Annie Mc Kurtz	Cleveland	Cuyahoga	Ohio

Roll of the Honored Dead of the West Virginia Conference.

No.	NAME.	PLACE OF DEATH.	DATE OF DEATH.	Conference Relation at Time of Death.	Years in the Ministry.
1	George Deemer	Wayne County, West Va.	October 9, 1851.	Effective	28
2	Abraham Laughridge	Granville, "	April 22, 1854	On Trial	32
3	Silas Burns	South Wheeling, "	December, 25, 1854.	Effective	26
4	William Summers	Martin's Ferry, Ohio	March 29, 1855.	Superannuated	58
5	Eli McLaughlin	Ripley, West Va.	April 3, 1855.	On Trial	50
6	Alpheus Robe	Clinton Furance, West Va.	December 4, 1855.	Effective	33
7	Jesse Freeland	Kingwood, "	June 6, 1856.	Superannuated	40
8	James A. Young	Near Shinnston, "	June 17, 1857.	On Trial	24
9	Gordon Battelle	Washington, D. C.	August 7, 1862.	Effective	47
10	Jacob S. Patterson	Knightstown, Indiana	July 10, 1864.	Superannuated	45
11	Paul Vandervort	Jollytown, Pennsylvania	August 26, 1865.	Effective	37
12	William R. Carroll	Near Kingwood, West Va.	July 20, 1867.	Superannuated	38
13	W. D. Warman	Ravenswood, "	1868.	Effective	41
14	Philip Green	Near Lumberport, "	January 24, 1870.	Superannuated	80
15	Allen B. Smith	Buffalo, "	May 19, 1870.	Effective	41
16	John L. Irwin	Fairmont, "	April 26, 1871.	Effective	50
17	George Monroe	Point Pleasant, "	August 8, 1872.	Superannuated	63
18	Edgar B. Blundon	Burning Springs, "	March 6, 1873.	Effective	37
19	George W. Richmond	Wheeling, "	March 16, 1874.	Effective	41
20	Thomas M. Hartley	West Liberty, "	May 3, 1875.	Effective	33
21	Michael Dowler	Marshall County, "	November 29, 1875.	Superannuated	70
22	Moses Tichenel	Rosemond, Illinois.	May 23, 1876.	Superannuated	56
23	Wilson L. Hindman	Moundsville, West Va.	March 17, 1877.	Effective	56
24	J. G. Blair	Fairmont, "	December 23, 1878.	Effective	63
25	Francis M. Hughes	Cameron, "	September 13, 1879.	Effective	32
26	J. C. Sidebottom	Barboursville, "	1881.	Superannuated	44
27	Francis Guthrie	Gallipolis, Ohio.	July 7, 1881.	Superannuated	80
28	S. D. Jones	Williamstown, West Va.	March 1, 1881.	Superannuated	75
29	L. D. Heatherly	Round Bottom, Wayne Co., West Va.	December 13, 1882.	Superannuated	26
30	J. G. Weaver	Upland, Pennsylvania	May 19, 1883.	Superannuated	48
31	G. W. Parriott	Near Cameron, West Va.	November 8, 1883.	Effective	49
32	W. H. Young	Middlebourne, "	May, 1884.	Effective	38
33	David M. Heaston	Buckhannon, "	November 11, 1884.	Effective	38
34	Neville C. Beckley	Charleston, "	October 16, 1885.	Effective	49
35	John S. Laughlin	Deer Park, Maryland.	March 7, 1886.	Superannuated	41
36	Samuel Steele	Buckhannon, West Va.	May 24, 1886.	Effective	62
37	Andrew Dixon	Near Mountain Cove, West Va.	February, 1886.	Superannuated	80
38	Robert Laughlin	Green Co., Pa.	January 17, 1887.	Superannuated	74
39	Calvin Conner	Moundsville, West Va.	December 28, 1886.	Superannuated	67
40	John C. Kurtz	Deer Park, Md.	April 16, 1887.	Effective	36

"They rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

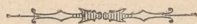
Progressive Growth of the West Virginia Conference.

YEARS.	No. of Member of the Confer- ence and on trial.	No. of Church Members and Probationers.	Number of Churches.	Value of Churches.	Number of Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages.	Number of Sun- day Schools.	Number of Offi- cers and Teach- ers.	Number of Scholars.	Missionary Collections.	For Conference Claimants.	For Church Extension.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Ministerial Support.	Average Salary Paid Preachers.
2d Session, October, 1849.....	53	14278	.....	.....	.....	.....	143	1151	5064	\$ 603	\$ 92	.....	.....	\$ 5030	\$110
3d " June, 1850.....	57	14201	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	811	93	.....	.....	5145	138
4th " June, 1851.....	64	15191	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1011	131	.....	.....	9690	167
5th " June, 1852.....	72	16780	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1962	129	.....	.....	13787	181
6th " June, 1853.....	81	18325	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1694	150	.....	.....	15864	217
7th " May, 1854.....	89	18600	.....	.....	.....	.....	222	2190	9070	2455	192	.....	.....	18542	223
8th " May, 1855.....	84	19249	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1858	144	.....	.....	19795	230
9th " June, 1856.....	86	19074	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2458	143	.....	.....	20843	270
10th " April, 1857.....	89	19426	.....	.....	.....	.....	202	1949	9190	.....	140	.....	.....	.....	.....
11th " April, 1858.....	100	21500	244	\$153650	27	\$14390	214	2031	9368	.....	162	.....	.....	20883	257
12th " April, 1859.....	101	22288	282	171751	28	15103	201	1785	8950	2280	187	.....	.....	21544	266
13th " March, 1860.....	100	22551	286	183270	29	14308	256	2162	11833	2039	167	.....	.....	22799	227
14th " March, 1861.....	94	21985	290	177495	28	13875	259	2598	11241	1735	99	.....	.....	24048	258
15th " March, 1862.....	85	16750	229	162475	22	12000	137	1308	6276	1220	69	.....	.....	14371	205
16th " March, 1863.....	84	14122	219	157060	26	14225	154	1517	7080	2394	133	.....	.....	17284	270
17th " March, 1864.....	84	15297	220	175510	26	12975	175	1824	8747	3571	34	.....	.....	19063	240
18th " March, 1865.....	92	14955	214	195000	27	20800	189	1808	9223	3595	968	.....	.....	24395	406
19th " March, 1866.....	86	20513	252	209000	28	26855	225	2211	11600	4100	891	.....	.....	29294	406
20th " March, 1867.....	89	27004	253	243925	33	18180	306	2876	16321	2507	584	.....	.....	39972	487
21st " March, 1868.....	99	28201	280	362225	32	36050	389	3450	18162	2828	918	.....	.....	48897	474
22nd " March, 1869.....	101	25288	280	350035	33	41190	379	3679	18532	3027	805	\$ 27	.....	47343	557
23rd " March, 1870.....	104	28111	293	386630	35	47850	357	3256	17801	3204	905	50	\$ 51	47807	556
24th " March, 1871.....	122	28332	316	398350	35	48850	369	3393	18871	3207	841	69	.....	57184	530
25th " March, 1872.....	135	29115	336	451988	34	49795	383	3515	18523	3344	921	427	.....	61122	541
26th " March, 1873.....	145	27167	336	474950	36	46525	384	3357	18183	3135	726	193	.....	66164	537
27th " March, 1874.....	160	28855	365	530825	43	48000	355	3451	18959	3395	816	186	.....	60312	511
28th " March, 1875.....	139	51413	365	543155	49	62300	428	3874	21112	3650	1021	218	101	70723	561
29th " March, 1876.....	119	34178	377	579575	52	61550	469	3977	22985	3322	969	197	105	69698	580
30th " March, 1877.....	150	53238	369	492750	50	65300	473	3743	22560	3527	765	169	89	61598	513
31st " *October, 1877.....	155	30819	373	555500	54	97040	458	3873	24446	1992	642	176	153	28897	529
32nd " October, 1878.....	155	32717	374	561750	56	60270	446	3904	22551	2367	827	234	209	53390	437
33rd " October, 1879.....	157	32157	384	515450	57	60850	461	3920	24778	2519	994	221	173	53040	450
34th " October, 1880.....	153	33330	394	551310	59	59350	486	4661	26125	2779	1090	281	201	57500	504
35th " October, 1881.....	156	33067	414	575250	61	70276	486	4229	26143	3026	1532	301	211	60540	438
36th " October, 1882.....	163	34051	417	573630	61	74070	450	4066	22221	3314	1878	319	283	58323	453
37th " October, 1883.....	169	34325	437	578900	66	88775	498	4452	26768	3585	1930	319	263	6354	430
38th " October, 1884.....	166	34640	445	615418	70	81075	515	4643	27767	3568	1825	300	255	66291	459
39th " Sept., 1885.....	162	35530	452	613235	74	85175	507	4546	27882	3199	1559	309	272	62924	425
40th " Sept., 1886.....	164	38091	454	645840	73	84730	523	4571	28619	3531	1833	323	292	68018	423
41st " October, 1887.....	166	39073	475	687550	79	92820	564	4917	31655	4322	1943	356	300	71593	457

N. B.—This Conference year embraced but six months, the time of meeting being changed from Spring to Fall.



Statistical.



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Buckhannon, Charleston and Clarksburg Districts. [Table No. 1

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISM.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church Property.	Present indebtedness on Church property.	Current expenses, (sexton, light, fuel, etc.)
BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.														
Belington.....	35	602	1	4	2	34	7	4000	1	1000	200			100
Beverly.....		310	4	2	14	30	3	2000						20
Buckhannon.....	14	201	1	5	7	39	1	6500		8	650	400		140
Buckhannon Circuit....	8	479	1	5	1	11	8	7500	1	900	780			50
Canaan.....	15	408	2	6		30	9	950						20
Freemansburg.....	11	328	4	2			7	5000	1	850				
Frenchton.....	18	336	2	7	9	17	6	4300	1	1000		20		1
Glady.....	1	143				8	4	1600			600			
Glenville.....	33	269	2	3	1	15	3	800						
Philippi.....	38	583	2	5	3	48	9	11600	1	1100	2600		500	150
South Buckhannon.....	17	493	2	2	6	32	8	4500			500	250	50	
Sutton.....	6	416	1	5	3	13	6	6150	1	500	750	288	137	60
Troy.....	13	258	3	3	9	8	6	4400	1	800	700		150	
Webster.....	15	171	1	2	22	6	1	675					85	5
Weston.....	4	121		3	7	5	1	3500	1	2700	527			70
	228	5117	26	60	86	296	79	63475	8	8850	6455	1208	1322	616
CHARLESTON DISTRICT.														
Calhoun.....	17	175	2	1		35	1	260			20			
Charleston.....	7	199	1	5	4	12	1	12000					2200	250
Charleston Ct.....	106	259		3		13	5	1600	1	400				
Clifton and Mason.....	6	271		6	42	12	5	7500	1	550	160		20	125
East Charleston.....	26	353	4	9	9	16	1	1000	1	200				
Hartford City.....	19	214	1		18	3	2	2800	1	700	23	64		65
Jackson.....	16	275		2	10	9	3	1800			1000	150	100	
Letart and Leon.....	19	213	4		6	5	5	3000			40			
Malden.....	38	194	1		6	25	2	3500	1	800	60			24
Mill Creek.....	10	159	2	1	7	1								
Point Pleasant.....	5	130	2	5	3	9	2	3300	2	2400			2600	40
Raymond City.....		82	1				4	4000	1	1200	100			130
Ravenswood.....	7	335		2	12	6	4	1700			880		550	
Ripley.....	39	150	1	2	5	15	6	5600						
Spencer.....	37	370	5	5		11	6							
Walton.....	41	232	2	2		44								
	393	3611	26	43	119	216	36	48050	8	6250	2283	214	5270	634
CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.														
Bridgeport.....	10	280	1	1	1	20	6	5800			375			50
Cherry Camp.....	3	236	1	1		6	5	3000	1	500	55			30
Clarksburg.....	5	163	1	1	5	6	1	12000	1	2500	2000			160
Fairmont.....	12	157		2	3		1	6000	1	1000	38	18	45	
Logansport.....	14	312	2	2		11	5	3000	1	500		60	270	20
Lumberport.....	8	350	2	6	2	2	6	2000	1	500				30
Mannington.....	3	360	4	6	5	9	6	11000	1	1200	1000	900	600	100
Marion.....	3	210	2	6			6	6000	1	1000	30			
Pine Grove.....	25	385	6	4	1	21	4	2000			150	20		15
Pruntytown.....	3	281	1	2	1	24	4	8100	1	1800	104			140
Quiet Dell.....	64	378	1	3		5	5	3400			1000		400	60
Salem.....	2	112	3	2			1	800						50
Smithton.....	9	324		2	1		6	3000	1	500				
West Milford.....	12	300	4	4		12	4	3500	1	600	60			75
Wilsonburg.....	21	351	1	3	12	16	8	6400	1	500		25	160	56
Worthington.....		153	1			1	6	2000						10
	194	4252	30	45	29	133	73	78000	11	10600	4812	1023	1475	796

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West Virginia Conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.											MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		
No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday school Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, Presiding Elder, and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Collections.
			From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.											
8	50	480	18	22	40	2	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	526	20	5
9	45	350	6	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	362	2	.....
2	23	150	44	20	64	6	2	2	7	6	8	.....	.....	789	21	80
7	63	310	24	.....	24	1	1	1	2	2	2	.....	.....	609	13	5
6	42	300	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	430	.....	.....
7	52	365	23	.....	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	369	8	.....
5	51	241	20	2	22	2	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	654	8	.....
4	34	180	10	.....	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	207	5	3
4	36	114	13	2	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250	7	2
10	95	500	43	7	50	1	1	1	1	14	5	.....	.....	609	15	7
9	56	462	32	18	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	594	10	.....
5	40	150	16	4	20	2	.....	1	3	1	1	.....	.....	578	10	5
4	45	380	7	2	9	.....	.....	.....	1	2	.....	.....	.....	478	5	.....
5	23	130	5	.....	5	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	328	3	4
1	12	130	13	28	41	3	2	2	4	5	2	.....	.....	711	15	4
86	667	4242	279	105	384	20	9	10	22	38	20	3	.....	7494	142	115
5	30	200	10	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	180	.....	.....
1	20	280	5	40	45	8	1	1	5	10	16	.....	.....	1186	16	.....
4	40	248	15	3	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	449	3	.....
3	44	387	4	8	12	1	1	1	.....	1	12	.....	.....	406	3	3
8	75	335	8	2	10	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	414	4	.....
2	39	240	2	4	6	.....	.....	.....	1	4	3	1	.....	662	4	.....
7	70	380	5	5	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	303	.....	.....
2	17	90	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	325	1	1
3	18	120	6	2	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	568	1	.....
4	32	155	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	136	.....	.....
3	21	158	4	10	14	2	.....	.....	2	2	7	.....	.....	590	3	.....
3	12	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7	45	330	16	3	19	2	1	1	1	1	4	.....	.....	756	10	.....
3	23	150	9	.....	9	3	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	321	1	.....
10	85	512	7	5	12	4	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	566	8	4
3	26	147	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	325	.....	.....
68	597	3812	97	82	179	23	5	5	11	25	46	1	.....	7387	54	8
5	35	260	19	6	25	1	1	1	1	2	2	.....	.....	445	11	.....
6	41	195	11	11	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	312	5	.....
1	18	206	32	18	50	5	3	3	5	5	8	1	.....	935	25	6
1	20	125	30	15	45	3	.....	.....	5	10	7	.....	.....	565	13	8
4	4	280	11	11	22	.....	.....	.....	1	2	.....	.....	.....	392	3	3
7	61	414	15	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	462	5	3
5	50	350	50	1	51	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	732	.....	.....
4	19	175	5	8	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250	5	.....
8	60	336	16	16	32	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	272	3	3
3	30	225	25	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	7	.....	.....	671	1	.....
4	36	140	30	20	50	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	418	7	2
1	8	70	8	7	15	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	341	7	1
4	42	200	12	.....	12	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	337	6	1
4	30	250	25	10	35	1	1	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	497	8	4
8	73	380	24	6	30	1	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	544	8	.....
1	6	30	10	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	223	3	.....
66	533	3636	323	129	452	14	7	6	16	44	24	1	.....	7396	110	31

Gugandotte, Morgantown and New River Districts [Table No. 1.]

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISM.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church Property.	Present indebtedness on Church property.	Current expenses, (sexton, light, fuel, etc.)
GUYANDOTTE DISTRICT.														
Barboursville.....	20	180	1	2	1	8	3	3000						5
Cassville.....	43	221	2	6		8	2	300						10
Ceredo.....	51	156	2	2		15	12	2500	1	400	415		170	50
Coal River.....	11	76	3		1	10	1	200						
East Hamlin.....		73	2	3	6		1	2500	1	500		300	300	30
Fairfields.....		101		4			1	2000	1	1100	800		300	60
Guyandotte.....	2	171	5	8		4	4	1600	1	350			40	10
Hamlin.....	94	268			4	4	1	3000	1	2000	562	650	105	202
Huntington.....	11	213				5	1	250						
Laurel.....	12	20		3		4	1	1000						
Monticello.....	34	235	1	5	2	18	2	700						
St. Albans.....		65				2		2500	1	400		65		
Wayne.....	22	303	4	4	5	4	3	3000	1	350				15
Winfield.....	16	135	2	1		7	4							
	343	2046	22	38	19	85	28	22550	7	5100	1777	1015	915	382
MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.														
Arnettville.....	13	309	2		1	7	3	2000	1	675	582		28	25
Blacksville.....	6	355	2	5	1	22	4	5000	1	1000	800			40
Burton.....	48	252	5	2	5	41	4	3700			2000		1000	
Grafton.....	14	330				2	1	15500	1	1500	35	280		250
Halleck.....	20	422	1	7	2	30	7	5500	1	650	450		220	50
Jollytown.....	10	483	3	5		15	8	9200	1	300				100
Kingwood.....	8	188		2		33	2	13500	1	3000	210			125
Knottsville.....	5	307		3	23	5	5	6000	1	400	25			15
Mason town.....	12	317	2	3		20	6	6950	1	800	20			130
Monongalia.....	5	300	2	3	1	16	6	3000						35
Morgantown.....		292	3	5	2	1	1	1600	1	1600	500			200
Morgantown Circuit.....	8	380	1	4	5	20	7	5000			300			25
Palatine.....	3	547	2	3		17	8	8700	1	700	23	145	80	90
	152	4482	23	46	40	229	62	94050	10	10625	4945	425	1358	1085
NEW RIVER DISTRICT.														
Boone.....	76	180	2	5		22	1	100						
Clay.....	27	104	1	2		8	2	900				137		
Concord.....		130					1	750						
Elk River.....	75	388			5	17	1	400	1	300	216			
Fayette.....	11	185	3	5	3	8	4	1500	1	100	75		225	3
Flat Top.....	4	156	5		1									
Hinchmans.....	13	165	3	8			5							
Logan.....		62												
Mountain Cove.....	12	243			3	1	2	2100	1	600				
Nicholas.....	23	427	3	4	36	48	5	3600	1	300				20
Oceana.....	120	178	4	2			2							
Ophelia.....	50	200		5	8		4							
Pleasant Retreat.....	30	408	9	2	4	7	2	1200	1	250	50		95	
Quinnemont.....		22			7									25
Raleigh Station.....	3	13	2		1		1	1500	1	250	18			50
Raleigh Circuit.....		359					2	1500						
	454	3220	44	34	68	121	25	13550	6	2100	359	137	320	98

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West Virginia Conference.

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Oakland, Parkersburg and Wheeling Districts. [Table No. 1.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISM.	CHURCH PROPERTY.								
	No. of Probationers.	No. of full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property.	Present indebtedness on Church property.	Current Expenses, (sexton, light and fuel, etc.)
OAKLAND DISTRICT.														
Albrightsville.....	41	322	1	.....	5	10	4	4500	1	400	66	.....	.....	40
Brandonville.....	2	503	1	3	.....	47	7	9800	1	400	200	15	.....	70
Cranesville.....	25	255	.....	4	30	27	2	2000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Deer Park.....	21	178	3	.....	9	.....	4	4800	.....	.....	377	.....	.....	.....
Evansville.....	40	359	.....	6	20	31	6	5000	1	600	527	.....	100	30
Friendsville.....	11	428	3	4	25	4	7	5800	1	400	75	27	170	50
Grantsville.....	18	187	1	1	.....	1	3	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hambleton.....	25	47	.....	.....	3	.....	1	900	.....	.....	900	.....	.....	.....
Hambleton and Davis.....	12	62	.....	1	3	.....	2	1900	.....	.....	1600	.....	.....	20
Newburg.....	16	341	2	6	20	22	1	3000	1	1000	150	140	370	60
Oakland.....	12	340	2	7	12	3	2	5500	1	2500	75	.....	103	120
Pleasant Grove.....	20	304	.....	5	2	27	6	3500	1	300	520	.....	.....	25
Randolph Mission.....	11	90	.....	.....	7	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rowlesburg.....	20	225	1	2	16	6	2	2700	1	600	135	.....	.....	43
St. George and Aurora.....	12	279	.....	.....	19	5	7	3500	.....	.....	125	.....	.....	50
	286	3920	14	39	171	188	55	55400	8	6200	4750	182	743	504
PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.														
Belleville.....	.....	284	1	1	22	6	3	2000	.....	.....	65	80	.....	50
Centreville.....	14	531	2	2	.....	43	6	3150	1	600	75	.....	.....	.....
Elizabeth Station.....	5	60	2	.....	2	2	1	2500	1	600	.....	.....	.....	60
Elizabeth Circuit.....	5	278	2	.....	.....	6	4	2800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ellenboro.....	12	446	4	5	1	40	6	6250	1	570	391	.....	.....	65
Harrisville.....	7	433	2	3	4	14	6	6300	1	800	.....	.....	.....	105
Middlebourne.....	10	315	4	4	.....	10	4	3000	1	500	150	78	25	20
Parkersburg Station.....	.....	279	2	6	2	.....	1	45000	1	5000	.....	.....	.....	246
Parkersburg Circuit.....	11	515	1	3	.....	4	9	9800	1	1000	75	15	135	117
Pleasants.....	27	165	1	.....	.....	20	3	525	.....	.....	100	.....	.....	.....
Sistersville.....	22	242	2	.....	6	17	5	5000	.....	.....	20	94	298	150
Shiloh.....	.....	337	1	.....	.....	.....	6	2200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Smithville.....	40	297	3	3	5	50	6	4000	.....	.....	1050	.....	150	50
Valley Mills.....	22	288	5	4	1	7	6	3100	1	375	145	115	160	150
Volcano.....	15	63	.....	1	1	11	1	1000	1	300	.....	.....	.....	15
West Union.....	7	137	3	2	3	21	4	5500	.....	.....	.....	100	75	40
Williamstown.....	1	83	.....	2	.....	3	1	1800	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	43
	198	4753	35	38	47	254	72	103925	9	9745	2077	482	845	1111
WHEELING DISTRICT.														
Benwood.....	45	194	2	3	39	42	2	4500	.....	.....	32	73	86	105
Cameron.....	65	277	1	.....	.....	22	2	4200	1	1800	1404	.....	.....	92
Dallas.....	2	345	.....	10	.....	18	2	9000	1	800	.....	2800	.....	83
Green.....	21	300	3	3	3	45	7	4400	1	100	1705	.....	.....	5
Fulton.....	3	38	.....	1	10	.....	2	1400	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	.....
Marshall.....	.....	310	3	7	27	16	4	4550	1	800	131	.....	.....	72
Moundsville.....	15	350	1	3	15	26	1	10000	1	1000	700	.....	.....	350
Moundsville Circuit.....	10	435	2	3	10	74	7	8500	.....	.....	1500	.....	.....	50
New Martinsville.....	24	126	.....	1	2	1	1	3000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80
New Martinsville Ct.....	13	132	1	1	.....	10	3	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30
Pleasant Valley.....	2	264	1	4	.....	11	5	5000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75
Short Creek & Liberty.....	3	186	.....	.....	1	.....	2	12000	1	1350	.....	.....	.....	80
Triadelphia.....	.....	170	.....	3	9	8	1	7000	1	2500	300	.....	.....	90
Chapline Street.....	9	179	.....	6	26	1	1	7500	1	3000	31	166	229	210
Fourth ".....	46	458	1	6	13	30	1	80000	1	12000	2000	.....	.....	2000
North ".....	20	322	.....	2	8	11	1	10000	1	3000	2858	600	1588	227
Thompson Church.....	29	388	.....	4	12	98	1	16000	1	4000	.....	.....	.....	477
Wesley Chapel.....	9	192	1	1	28	2	1	5000	.....	.....	50	.....	48	150
Zane Street.....	7	216	1	1	40	3	1	15000	1	3000	921	155	1300	250
	323	4882	17	59	243	418	45	208550	12	33350	11632	3794	3351	4426

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.			
No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, Presiding Elder and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Collections.
			From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.											
5	61	239	28	12	40	3	1	1	6	5	1	14		491	19	
10	67	505	40		40	2			2	7				744	8	4
7	63	261	20		20	3	1	1	3	1	1	5		253	10	
9	60	312	32	6	38	3			2					373	12	3
6	62	366	39	3	42	3	1	3	2	1	1			578	12	13
9	115	575	20	10	30									536	4	
4	30	200	18		18	2			3	1				374	7	3
3	13	86	9	8	17	1	1		1		1	2		248	3	
2	20	108	20	3	23	1	1	1	2	1	1			333	4	1
3	34	240	48	6	54	1			5	5				772	11	7
3	45	300	36	20	56	7	2	2	8	12	7	5		873	30	5
8	61	292	32	2	35	5	1	1	4	4	1			366	18	
4		70	2		2	1								107		
3	20	235	30	8	38	4	1	1	3	1	1			596	12	4
8	63	373	15	25	40	2			2	1				531	10	4
84	714	4162	389	104	493	38	9	10	44	39	14	26		7175	160	44
6	42	280	8	5	13	3		1	2	2	2	2	2	582	10	
5	56	318	32	2	34									550	1	
1	10	100	1	11	12	2			2		2			512	2	
5	44	183	15	1	16	1								313	2	
8	61	376	16	4	20	5	1	1	2	3	1			671	20	
6	62	411	85	18	103	2				1	4			779	24	13
5	40	150	8	2	10	1			1	1	5			587	3	
1	43	373	227	38	365	20	3	5	20	32	20	71	40	1650	80	
9	83	511	40	23	63	6	1	1	6	2	1			783	30	5
3	24	65	4		4									390	1	1
7	69	302	15	15	30	5	2	2	2	16	7	5		594	10	5
6	59	348												440		
6	46	390												406		
7	74	377	15	1	16	1		1	1	6		1		316	3	4
1	10	50	5		5	1			1					200	2	
4	32	205	46	4	50	5	1	1	4	2	1	2	2	486	15	14
1	11	78	6	8	14	3			3	12				371	5	
81	766	4517	523	132	655	55	8	12	44	77	43	81	44	9630	208	42
2	20	240		30	30	3			3	5	14			692	4	3
2	27	180	25	25	50	2	2	2	4	8	14			733	15	
2	27	235	34	11	45	1			1	16				599	7	
7	50	260	18		18	9	1	1	1	1	1			456	5	2
			10		10	20								329		
4	68	361	26		26	1	1			1				622	5	
1	36	300	52	80	132	16			16		16	85		1215	50	
7	58	425	25	10	35	6	1	1	2	2	1			806	10	
1	14	85	15	10	25	1	1	2	2	7	4			544	8	1
6	32	200	2	2	4									33	1	1
5	39	240	55	5	60	3	1	1	3	5	1	1	1	525	12	6
2	18	110	31	1	32	6	1	1	5	7	1			712	14	
1	21	130	20	24	44				2	5	4	23		698	7	3
1	31	203	37	39	76	20			11		7			808	54	
1	45	428	131	443	574	30	10	10	38	10				3100	175	
2	31	400		60	60	2	2	2	2	11	11	2	2	1115	30	5
1	24	290	50	70	120	20	5	5	17	12	12	68	65	1121	66	
1	28	249	7	21	28	1				3	3	24		850	9	2
1	28	224	10	50	60	2	2	2	2	2	4	36		1130	10	3
47	607	4560	548	881	1429	143	27	27	109	95	93	239	68	16088	482	25

Recapitulation by Districts.

[Table No. 1]

DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP.					BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property.	Present indebtedness on Church Property.	Current Expenses, (sexton, light, fuel, etc.)
Buckhannon	228	5117	26	60	86	296	79	63475	8	8850	6465	1208	1322	616
Charleston	393	3611	26	43	119	216	36	48050	8	6250	2283	214	5270	634
Clarksburg	194	4252	30	45	29	133	73	78000	11	10600	4812	1023	1475	796
Guyandotte	343	2046	22	38	19	83	28	22550	7	5700	1777	1015	915	382
Morgantown	152	4482	23	46	40	229	62	94050	10	10625	4945	425	1358	1085
New River	454	3220	44	34	68	121	25	13550	6	2100	359	137	320	98
Oakland	208	3920	14	39	111	188	55	55400	8	6200	4750	182	743	508
Parkersburg	198	4753	35	38	47	254	72	103925	9	9745	2977	482	843	1111
Wheeling	323	4882	17	59	243	418	45	208550	12	33350	11632	3794	3351	4426
Totals this year	2553	36283	237	402	822	1938	475	687550	79	92820	39100	8480	15597	9656
Totals last year	2984	34893	214	341	663	2256	454	645840	73	84730	16658	3375	20448	8528
Increase		1390	23	61	159		21	41710	6	8090	22442	5105		1128
Decrease	431					318							10851	



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No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, Presiding Elder, and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Collections.
			From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.											
86	667	4242	279	105	384	20	9	10	22	38	20	3	.....	7494	142	115
68	597	3812	97	82	179	23	5	5	11	25	46	1	.....	7387	54	8
66	533	3636	323	129	452	14	7	6	16	44	24	1	.....	7396	110	31
34	275	1673	61	56	117	11	5	3	10	10	10	35	.....	3808	49	11
63	588	3898	289	243	532	41	12	11	37	71	30	64	1	8772	153	46
35	170	1155	72	9	81	11	2	2	7	5	16	.....	.....	3843	32	1
84	714	4162	389	104	493	38	9	10	44	39	14	26	.....	7175	160	44
81	766	4577	523	132	655	55	8	12	44	77	43	81	44	9630	208	42
47	607	4560	548	881	1429	143	27	27	109	95	93	239	68	16088	482	25
564	4917	31655	2581	1741	4322	356	84	86	300	404	296	450	113	71593	1390	323
523	4517	28619	2315	1221	3536	320	80	82	293	311	275	511	37	68048	1329	.....
41	346	3036	266	520	756	36	4	4	97	93	21	.....	76	3545	61	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	61	.....	.....	.....	.....



Buckhannon, Charleston and Clarksburg Districts (Table No. 2.)

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.											
NAMES OF CHARGES.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	PASTORS.			PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.		
		Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	
BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.											
Belington.....	W. E. Lovett.....	545	460	85	63	63	5	3	20	20	
Beverly.....	Fred. Cottrill.....	436	380	56	60	60	6	2	20	2	
Buckhannon.....	L. H. Jordan.....	700	700	.....	89	86	.....	5	25	21	
Buckhannon Circuit.....	C. Warman.....	500	507	53	100	97	8	5	30	13	
Canaan.....	R. S. Welsh.....	372	286	86	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Freemansburg.....	L. D. Haines.....	450	356	94	60	60	6	4	20	8	
Frenchton.....	C. W. Upton.....	500	500	.....	90	90	8	4	25	.....	
Gladys.....	E. R. Skidmore.....	250	160	90	46	46	3	1	10	5	
Glenville.....	N. H. Prince.....	390	290	100	58	58	3	2	10	7	
Philippi.....	C. B. Graham.....	645	607	38	75	75	8	2	25	15	
South Buckhannon.....	C. Poling.....	525	525	.....	70	69	6	.....	25	10	
Sutton.....	G. H. Williams.....	562	496	67	80	80	7	3	25	10	
Troy.....	C. B. Meredith.....	550	560	10	70	68	5	3	15	5	
Webster.....	B. B. Brooks.....	300	280	20	46	46	4	2	10	3	
Weston.....	B. Ison.....	725	650	75	55	53	6	6	20	1	
Totals—		7570	6917	854	1012	913	75	42	280	142	
CHARLESTON DISTRICT.											
Calhoun.....	M. W. Atkinson.....	150	140	10	40	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Charleston.....	A. J. Lyda.....	1100	1100	.....	80	80	6	2	16	16	
Charleston Ct.....	T. P. Ryan.....	400	382	18	65	65	.....	6	.....	3	
Clifton and Mason.....	Geo. W. Kepler.....	580	540	40	65	65	5	1	6	3	
East Charleston.....	Jos. S. Jenkins.....	362	362	.....	60	60	4	4	8	4	
Hartford City.....	J. W. Griffiths.....	600	601	.....	60	60	6	1	8	4	
Jackson.....	J. M. Grose.....	300	253	47	50	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Letart and Leon.....	G. W. Marston.....	400	290	110	65	35	6	.....	8	1	
Malden.....	A. Moore.....	600	509	91	65	59	.....	.....	.....	1	
Mill Creek.....	Wm. L. McCoy.....	225	89	136	50	47	5	.....	5	.....	
Point Pleasant.....	R. B. Ward.....	525	525	136	60	60	5	3	6	3	
Raymond City.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Ravenswood.....	U. Pribble.....	700	675	25	80	75	9	6	20	10	
Ripley.....	E. D. W. King.....	350	270	.....	50	40	.....	1	.....	1	
Spencer.....	C. R. Shackelford.....	535	490	45	80	76	.....	2	10	8	
Walton.....	J. J. White.....	325	265	60	60	60	5	1	6	.....	
Totals—		6752	5601	718	930	872	51	27	93	54	
CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.											
Bridgeport.....	G. Martin.....	400	385	15	65	54	6	6	15	11	
Cherry Camp.....	B. F. Rogers.....	450	260	190	54	49	5	3	20	5	
Clarksburg.....	J. Engle.....	850	850	.....	75	75	10	10	25	25	
Fairmont.....	C. F. Bollinger.....	600	600	.....	60	60	6	5	20	13	
Logansport.....	T. Richmond.....	400	375	25	55	55	5	2	15	3	
Lumberport.....	E. C. Woodruff.....	500	400	100	65	59	6	2	20	5	
Mannington.....	J. W. Webb.....	650	650	.....	85	82	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Marion.....	W. D. Carrico.....	550	208	321	72	36	6	2	8	5	
Pine Grove.....	J. A. Hammond.....	340	225	115	44	44	3	1	8	3	
Pruntytown.....	C. J. Trippett.....	600	575	25	65	65	6	1	.....	1	
Quiet Dell.....	G. Rogers.....	475	350	125	65	65	6	3	30	7	
Salem.....	J. P. McCormick.....	300	300	.....	38	38	3	2	10	7	
Smithton.....	M. Taylor.....	450	286	164	48	48	5	3	12	6	
West Milford.....	A. B. Rohrbaugh.....	550	480	70	65	63	6	2	25	8	
Wilsonburg.....	B. D. Mahone.....	600	544	76	65	65	6	5	22	8	
Worthington.....	John Conwell.....	275	180	95	40	.....	5	3	.....	3	
Totals—		7990	6648	1321	961	858	84	51	230	110	

Table No. 2.] Guyandotte, Morgantown and New River Districts

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
		PASTORS.			PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.		
NAMES OF CHARGES.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	Claims including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	
GUYANDOTTE DISTRICT.											
Barboursville	G. W. Metheny	225	145	80	36	31	2	1	4	1	
Cassville	J. T. Davis	275	149	126	36	22	2	.....	6	1	
Ceredo	W. A. Cheuvront	400	380	20	36	33	2	.....	5	1	
Coal River	James Kinder	100	94	7	26	21	2	.....	8	.....	
Fairfields	J. E. Mobray (sup)	228	228	.....	52	52	3	1	.....	2	
Guyandotte	Chas. E. Shaw	350	350	.....	50	50	.....	.....	.....	5	
Hamlin	Wm. A. Carroll	375	171	204	48	31	2	1	8	4	
Huntington	Sam'l Ernest Jones	975	975	.....	80	80	5	5	25	28	
Laurel	C. W. Myers	300	161	139	20	17	1	.....	2	.....	
Monticello	J. L. Moses	275	172	123	50	46	2	1	8	1	
St. Albans .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Wayne	B. Darlington	450	290	160	50	38	3	2	10	3	
Winfield	George C. Shaw	300	248	52	40	26	2	1	8	2	
Totals—		4253	3363	911	524	447	26	13	84	48	
MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.											
Arnettville	C. W. Cox	450	450	.....	68	68	8	4	25	5	
Blacksville	T. H. Trainer	450	450	.....	65	65	8	8	.....	10	
Burton	W. H. Shaw	400	407	.....	44	44	4	4	10	5	
Grafton	S. B. D. Prickitt	1050	1050	.....	105	105	9	5	40	40	
Halleck	N. L. Baumgardner	531	531	.....	60	60	5	5	25	17	
Jollytown	D. Cool	540	540	.....	95	95	9	6	15	5	
Kingwood	E. H. Orwen	725	736	.....	84	84	8	8	25	27	
Knottsville	T. W. Chidester	515	515	.....	76	76	8	2	25	5	
Masontown	J. S. Boreman	625	635	.....	77	80	8	6	25	13	
Monongalia	J. C. Rexroad	460	460	.....	71	71	8	8	25	12	
Morgantown	W. R. White	1050	1050	.....	105	105	10	10	40	.....	
Morgantown Circuit	J. B. Feather	500	500	.....	79	79	7	5	20	5	
Palatine	F. G. W. Ford	584	584	.....	76	76	7	6	25	7	
Totals—		7880	7908	.....	1000	1008	100	77	300	151	
NEW RIVER DISTRICT.											
Boone	A. D. Adams	200	70	130	50	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Clay	Wallace P. Guinn	200	153	47	40	40	.....	1	.....	.....	
Concord	J. F. Snodgrass .....	.....	.....	.....	40	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Elk River	G. L. Carder	364	307	57	60	60	3	3	12	3	
Fayette	L. D. Bryan	300	251	69	60	60	3	.....	12	2	
Flat Top	G. E. Ward .....	.....	.....	.....	40	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Hinchmans	W. R. Hennen	318	.....	.....	60	35	3	.....	9	.....	
Logan .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Mountain Cove	W. Hunter	400	375	25	60	55	2	2	.....	5	
Nicholas	Levi Cross	450	400	50	70	70	4	3	13	10	
Oceana	Thos. Parris	240	75	165	60	52	3	.....	10	.....	
Ophelia	J. Adamson .....	.....	130	91	50	32	3	3	.....	6	
Pleasant Retreat	P. C. Mays	365	323	42	60	60	.....	1	.....	2	
Quinnemont	J. A. Dixon	500	380	120	60	60	.....	1	.....	2	
Raleigh Station	D. W. Smith	413	389	24	40	40	2	2	6	1	
Raleigh Circuit	A. A. Nichols .....	.....	.....	.....	60	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Totals—		3750	2623	820	840	732	23	13	62	31	

Oakland, Parkersburg and Wheeling Districts. [Table No.2.]

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.											
NAMES OF CHARGES.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	PASTORS.		PRESIDING ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMANTS.					
		Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Appportioned.	Paid.	Appportioned.	Paid.	Appportioned.	Paid.			
OAKLAND DISTRICT.													
Albrightsville.....	T. R. Faulkner.....	474	424	50	62	62	5	5	19	19			
Brandonville.....	L. W. Roberts.....	550	496	54	75	79	5	4	20	8			
One to be Supplied.....	John Rexroad.....	175	16	10									
Cranesville.....	D. B. Orr.....	225	210	15	40	40	2	3	7	10			
Deer Park.....	J. C. Kurtz.....	490	518	172	55	55	5	4	19	12			
Evansville.....	D. A. Friend.....	500	500		72	72	6	6	21	12			
Friendsville.....	A. S. Arnett.....	500	520		62	64	6	2		4			
Grantsville.....	Geo. M. Kelley.....	325	314	11	56	56	4	4	18	7			
Hambleton.....	Henry S. Friend.....	200	230		12	17	1	1	3	3			
Hambleton and Davis.....	S. P. Archer.....	318	311	7	20	20	2	2	4	4			
Newburg.....	B. E. Evans.....	700	700		66	66	6	6	19	11			
Oakland.....	W. J. Sharps.....	800	800		86	86	7	7	26	30			
Pleasant Grove.....	M. Knetts.....	365	317	50	46	46	5	5	19	18			
Randolph Mission.....	W. Virden.....		25		21	21	1	1					
Rowlesburg.....	A. D. Perry.....	530			60	58	6	6	19	18			
St. George and Aurora.....	W. B. Weekley.....	500	465	35	61	61	6	5	19	10			
Totals—		6652	5191	404	694	833	67	61	213	166			
PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.													
Belleville.....	H. H. Miles.....	500	500		75	75	6	6	15	10			
Centreville.....	D. F. Carder.....	500	475	25	80	75	7						
Elizabeth Station.....	C. E. Clark.....	460	460		50	50	3	2	10	5			
Elizabeth Circuit.....	J. W. Hess.....	450	250	200	60	60	4	2		5			
Ellenboro.....	W. H. Cooper.....	675	637	38	85	87	7	7	25	20			
Harrisville.....	Asbury Mick.....	675	675		100	100	6	4	35	24			
Middlebourne.....	C. H. J. King.....	650	504	95	80	80	6	2	3	3			
Parkersburg Station.....	W. E. Loomis.....	1450	1450		180	180	20	20	90	80			
Parkersburg Circuit.....	W. W. Kelley.....	725	675	49	100	100	8	8	35	30			
Pleasants.....	L. M. Coffield.....	345	250	95	40	40	2		5	1			
Sistersville.....	C. J. Price.....	620	514	106	81	81	4	4	35	10			
Shiloh.....					75	65							
Smithville.....	John Norris.....	600	341	258	65	65	4		15				
Valley Mills.....	S. Eh Jones.....	368	250	118	65	63	5	3	10	3			
Volcano.....	S. P. Crummit.....	147	147		50	50	3	2	15	2			
West Union.....	W. G. Smith.....	425			65	65	4	4	15	15			
Williamstown.....	J. H. Stratton.....	287	317		50	50	3	3	10	5			
Totals—		7877	7435	984	1301	1286	92	67	318	223			
WHEELING DISTRICT.													
Benwood.....	W. W. King.....	650	650		41	41		1		4			
Cameron.....	G. R. Coplin.....	670	670		59	59	7	4	20	15			
Dallas.....	C. S. Allemon.....	675	575	100	96	96		3	15	7			
Green.....	F. N. Lynch.....	400	400		54	54		2		5			
Fulton.....	D. A. Denton.....	325			28	28	2						
Marshall.....	S. King.....	600	530	70	89	79	13	3	66	6			
Moundsville.....	L. L. Stewart.....	1100	1100		99	100	15	5	50	50			
Moundsville Circuit.....	H. C. Sanford.....	825	725	100	86	76	12	5	50	10			
New Martinsville.....	D. S. Hammond.....	500	500		41	41	3	3	8	8			
New Martinsville Ct.....	J. T. Eichelberger.....	400	171	228	32	32	3	1		1			
Pleasant Valley.....	A. L. Curtis.....	450	465		54	54	6	6	12	12			
Short Creek & Liberty.....	J. W. W. Bolton.....	725	697	28	74	74	16	16	70	14			
Triadelphia.....	T. E. Galway.....	600	600		50	50	7	2	30	7			
Chapline Street.....	*J. C. Hull & J. Dillen.....	900	900		100	100	21	8	60	54			
Fourth ".....	R. F. Randolph.....	2200	2600		278	278		32	175	175			
North ".....	M. F. Dryden.....	1025	1025		75	75	15	15	50	30			
Thompson Church.....	G. W. Grimes.....	1350	1350		100	100	21	21	66	66			
Wesley Chapel.....	D. L. Ash.....	800	800		46	46	6	4	12	9			
Zane Street.....	J. H. Hess.....	1050	1050		70	70	14	10	50	10			
Totals—		15645	14208	526	1472	1453	161	151	734	483			

*John C. Hull, 5 months; J. Dillen, 7 months.

Table No. 2.]

Recapitulation by Districts.

DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF PRESIDING ELDERS.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.							
		PASTORS.		PRESID'G ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIMA'TS	
		Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.
Buckhannon	W. G. Riheldaffer	7570	6917	854	1012	913	75	42	280
Charleston	J. M. Warden	7752	5601	718	930	872	51	27	93
Clarksburg	Joseph Lee	7900	6648	1321	961	858	84	51	230
Guyandotte	M. W. Rider	4253	3363	911	524	447	26	13	84
Morgantown	J. F. Chenoweth	7880	7908	.....	1005	1008	100	77	300
New River	R. H. Hughes	3750	2623	820	840	732	23	16	62
Oakland	C. H. Lakin	6652	5791	404	694	833	47	61	213
Parkersburg	J. A. Fullerton	7877	7435	984	1301	1286	92	67	318
Wheeling	Geo. E. Hite	15645	14208	526	1472	1453	161	151	734
Totals—		69369	50494	6538	8739	8402	679	505	2314
									1408





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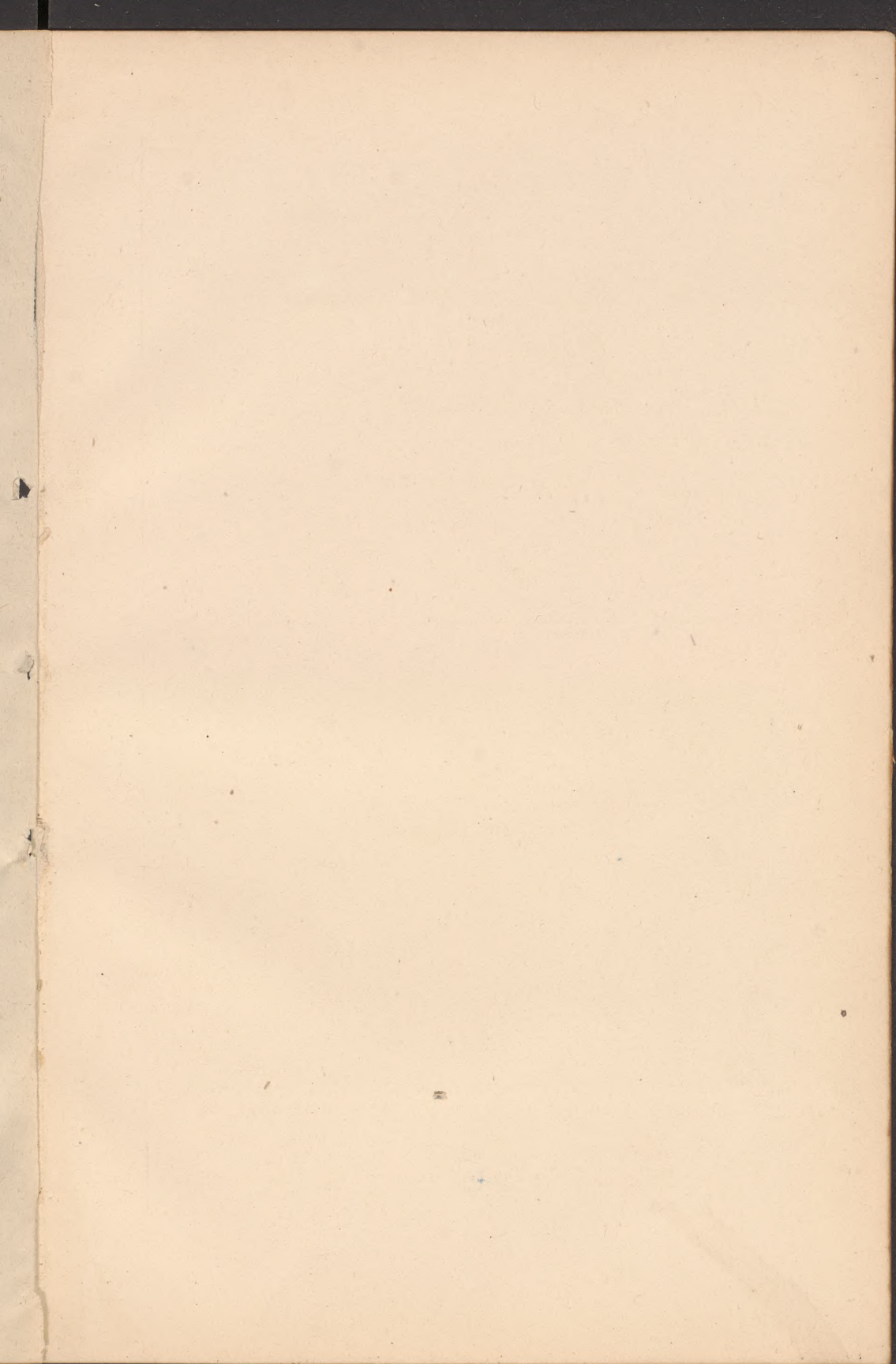
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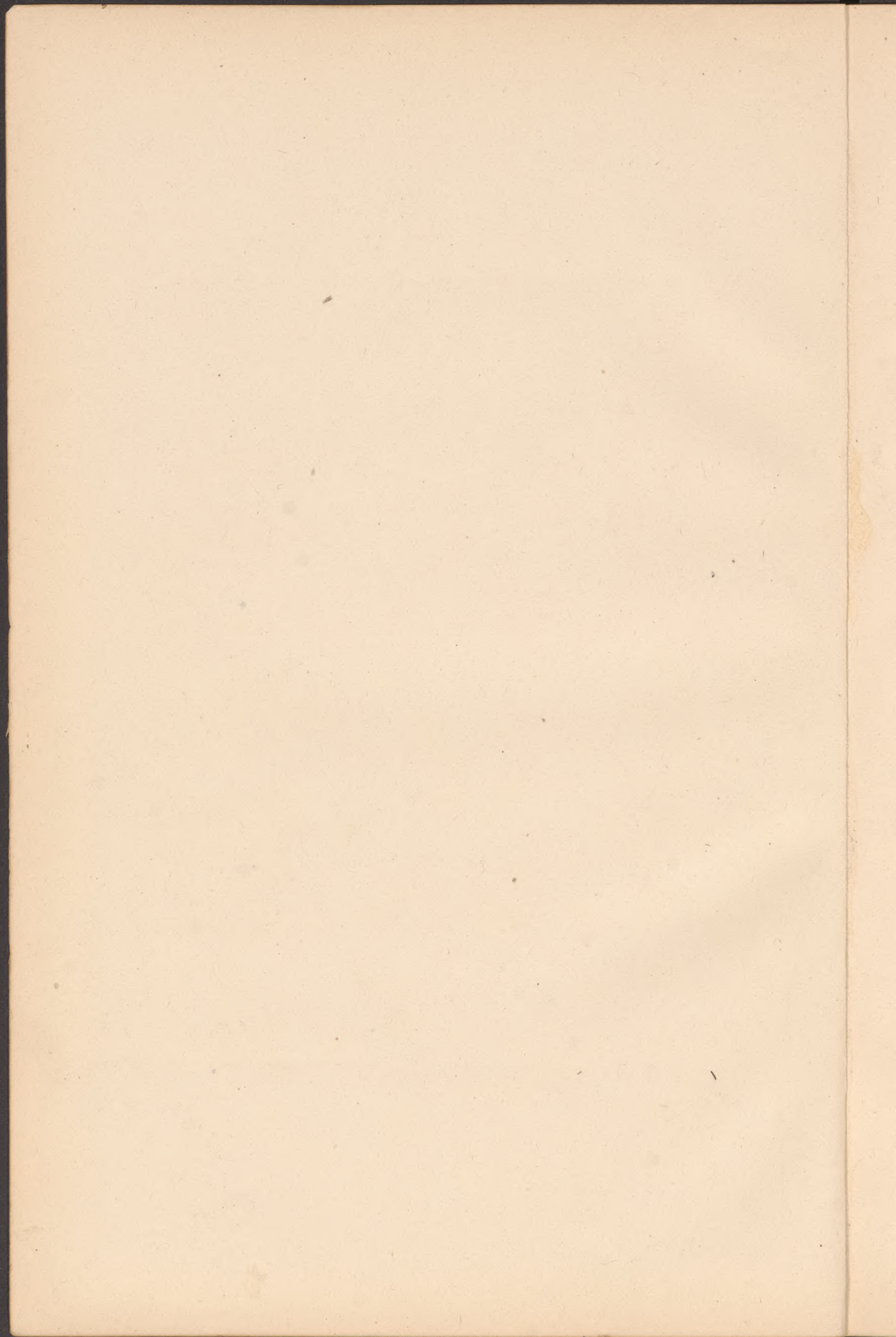
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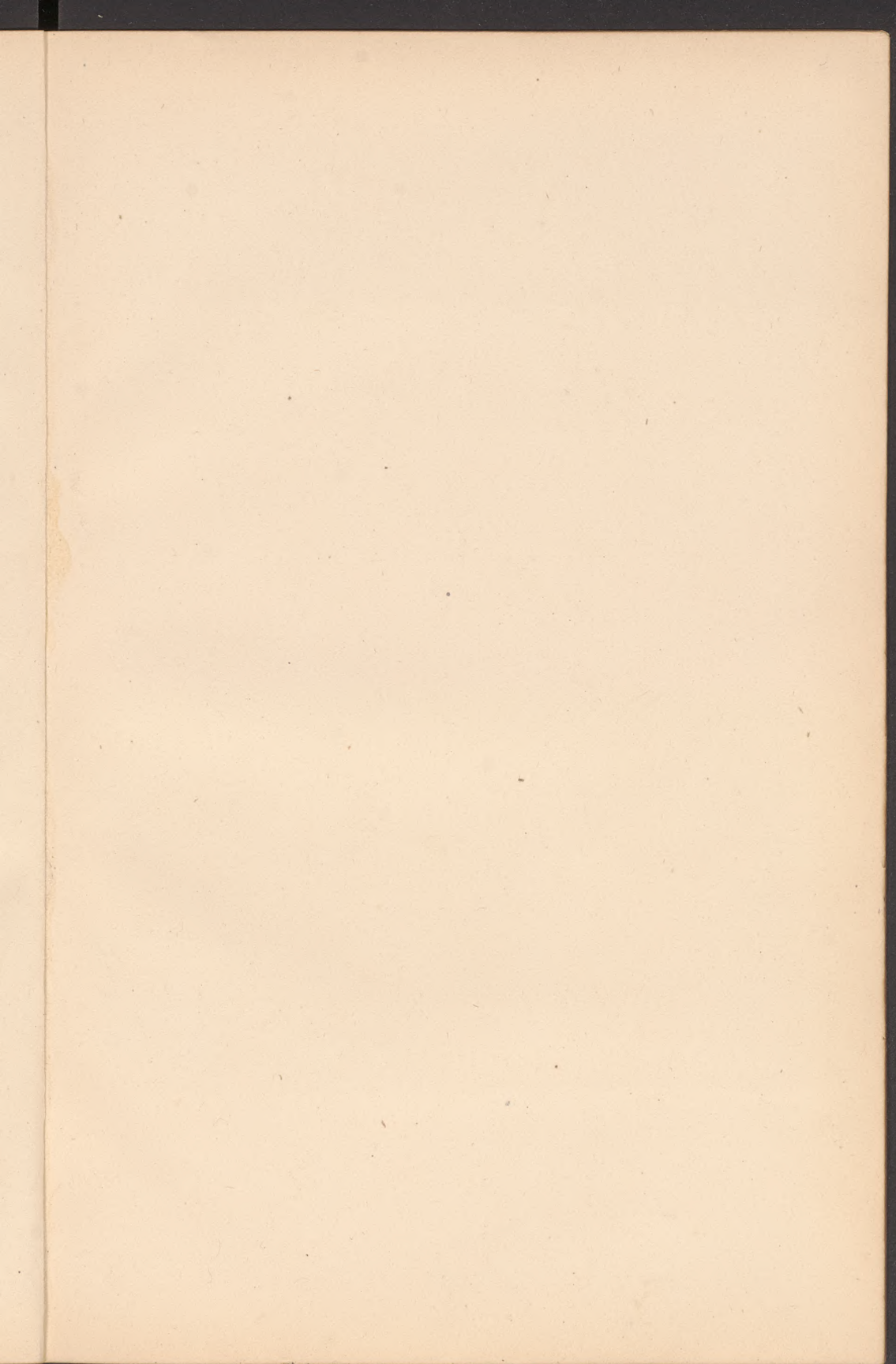
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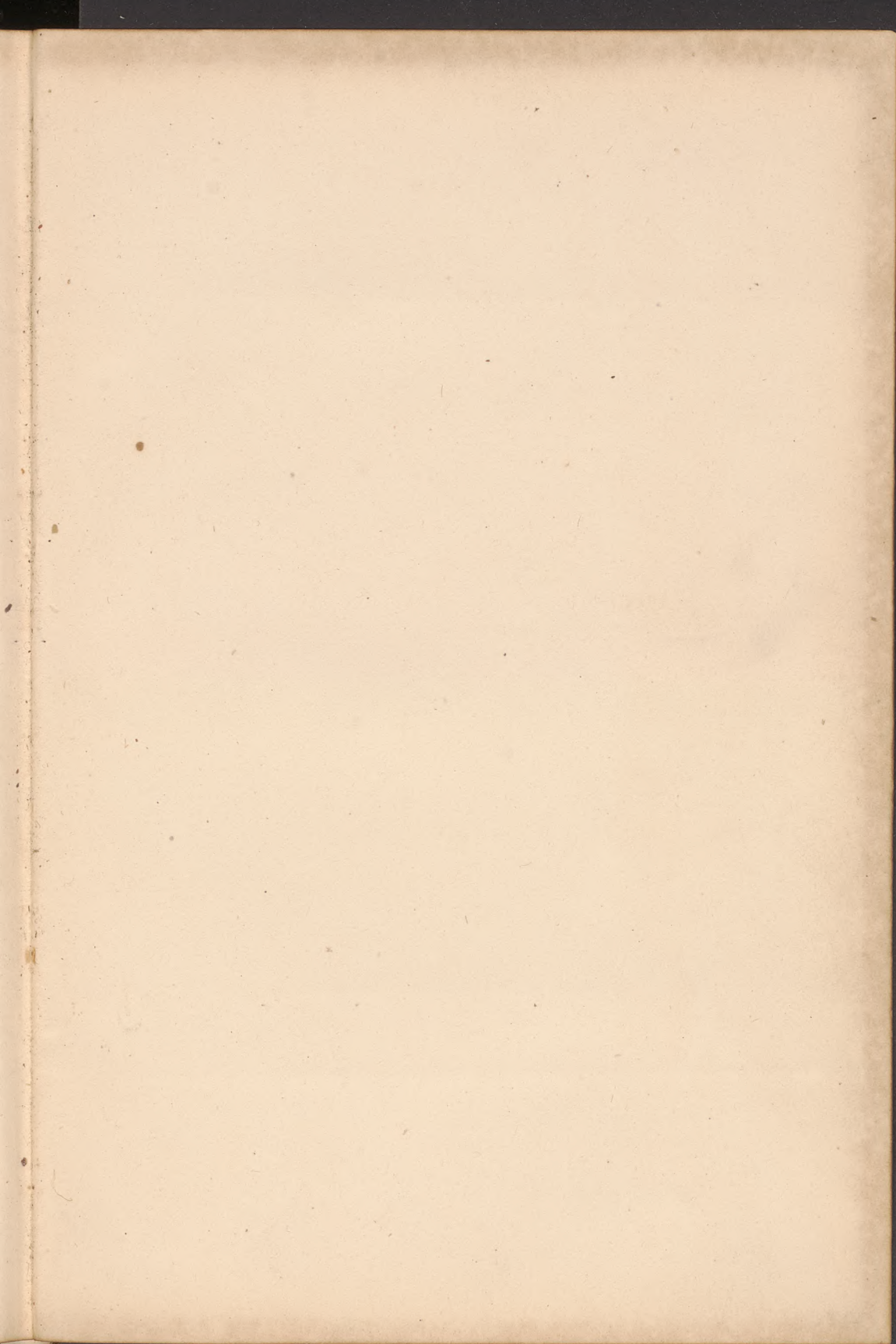
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